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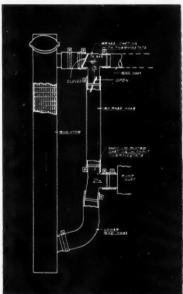
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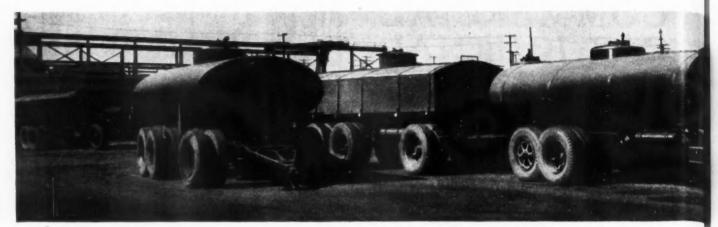
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OVER LOAD

In Union There is Jack

The International Brotherhood of Teamsters (truck drivers, helpers, etc.) recently held its first convention in five years at Washington where astronomical figures were tossed around as nonchalantly as tencent tips. Daniel J. Tobin, president of the union, speaking practically in the shadow of the New Deal spending agencies, reversed the trend by warning the delegates that there is a saturation point for wages and hours and that by excessive demands employment would be destroyed and that when this happened the union would be destroyed.

In reward for this sound, restraining influence, Mr. Tobin was voted a salary raise from \$20,000 to \$30,000 per year. Just to show that no such pessimism could long endure in an atmosphere where spending is done in a big way, the delegates pro-

vided Mr. Tobin with a \$20,000-per-year assistant. It is not recorded that Thomas L. Hughes, secretary-treasurer, made any discouraging speeches, but his salary was upped to \$30,000, too. While in the mood, the delegates set the pay of fourteen organizers at \$15,000 and provided the whole bunch with expense accounts which, in addition to transportation, allow \$12 per day for hotel expenses and \$5 per day for incidentals which, incidentally, will buy a lot of incidentals.

Clinton Transfer

The town of Clinton, Ill., pop. 5165, has passed an ordinance prohibiting delivery in the town by any truck weighing more than 12,000 lb. All cargoes must be transferred to lighter trucks at the city limits. Having been in Clinton, the first problem that occurs to us is how does one know when one reaches the city limits; and the other is, how can deliveries be prohibited if they are made on private property, such as driveways, terminals and stations?

For M-day

The Public Roads Administration has a questionnaire drawn up to find out the kind and type of trucks you are operating. The plan is now reposing in the office of the National Defense Advisory Commission. If the idea gets approval, you will probably be asked to describe your equipment when you register your trucks for 1941.

"SEMA Approved"

Some of the manufacturers of lighting and signalling equipment have formed the Safety Equipment Manufacturers Association. One of the association's first acts was to determine certain standards of quality which are called National Commercial Standards. These were worked out with the help of the National Bureau of Standards which accepted the standards for nine items of lighting and signalling equipment. It is the plan of the association to stamp all products that meet the standards with "SEMA APPROVED." Even manufacturers who do not belong to the association may use the stamp if their products make the grade. To get approval, members or others must not only submit samples but must also submit to periodic examinations of product. For the original approval a certificate is issued and a certificate of continued compliance will be issued for each subsequent examination. The association hopes to establish the "SEMA APPROVED" stamp in the minds of fleet operators and law enforcement officials as synonymous with "okay."

Meet the Champs

On Nov. 11-14 the American Trucking Associations, Inc., will hold its annual rodeo at Los Angeles to determine the nation's safest truck driver. This year, how-(Turn to Page 122, Please)

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on cylinder heads deals with manufacture, servicing, corrosion, etc. Worthwhile reading for any fleetman. Check "B" on the post card.

Optics and Wheels

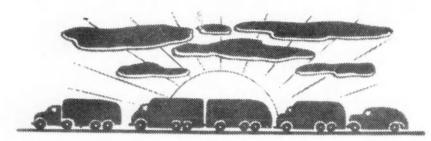
The story of artificial light from the primitive torch to the sealed beam headlight is told in illuminating fashion in a new General Motors booklet, "Optics and Wheels." Definitely educational in scope, the booklet provides interesting reading for any operator of vehicles used at night. Check "C" on the post card for a free copy.

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AFTER HOURS

Editorial Comments By George T. Hook, Editor



Truck Capacity Rating "Approved in Principle" U. S. Moves to Make Roads Meet Defense Needs

AT a meeting in Detroit on Sept. 17 the Motor Truck Committee of the Automobile Manufacturers Association "approved in principle" a method for rating motor truck capacity devised by a special committee of the Society of Automotive Engineers.

Five items comprise the rating method proposed by the S.A.E. Approval of these items was made "in principle" because some truck manufacturers felt that the items ought to be defined more clearly and more specifically before they were adopted as a method and put into practice. The clarifications are to be made within 30 days. Until they are made the details of the rating method are not being made public in order to avoid misunderstanding.

However, this much can be said, and what is said is quoted from an A.M.A. press release: "Under this method, lacking an adequate engineering measure of all the complex elements affecting truck loading, the manufacturer will rate his own trucks by means of a standardized formula."

Readers who see this statement in their local newspapers are very likely to misunderstand its meaning. It, too, needs a little clarifying. If the reader infers that the capacity rating method proposed is not based on what are known as engineering principles, he is entirely correct. The method is commercial, for reasons which will be revealed along with the details and which reasons are deemed to be good and sufficient.

Each manufacturer would, indeed, rate the capacity of his own trucks. But if the reader infers that the "standardized formula" involves, as formulas common to the truck industry usually do, factors, symbols, exponents, subtractions, multiplication and such like, he is mistaken. It is not that sort of formula. The rating will embody five figures, each of which will be specific and require no interpretation.

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So much for our clarification which, we fear, may simply have the effect of quite definitely confusing many readers. They may be bothered by this question: If the rating method permits each manufacturer to determine the capacities of the vehicles he makes, why should manufacturers merely "approve in principle" a method which is commercial and which gives them a free hand?

The answer doubtless is that the method poses commercial problems. The argument is advanced that because there are 26 different truck licensing methods, and because insurance premiums, labor rates and rental of trucks by government agencies are based on manufacturers' rated capacities, a dangerous economic disturbance might be caused if the industry standardized upon one method of rating truck capacity.

There is this to be said in answer to that argument: the rating method proposed, while it seeks to have all manufacturers give certain data on a uniform basis, does not prevent any manufacturer from giving additional data to meet conditions as they now exist in the 43 states. In other words, it is possible to take care of the present and, at the same time, to take the first step into the future toward an

CCJ ? QUIZ

(Correct Answers on Page 78)

Robert F. Bahl, who by dint of consistently good entries has at least temporarily taken over the Quiz Department



Mobilize your wits for another CCJ Quiz. This one is all about the army and its trucks . . . and if you've done nothing more than read the newspapers the last few months, you should get a creditable score. Give yourself ten points for each correct answer. A blitzkrieg of 100 points gives the rank of major general—

80-90 points—captain.

60-70 points-first lieutenant.

40-50 points—second lieutenant.

less than 40-buck private.

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If you're color blind, you can skip this one; otherwise, tell us what is the color scheme of the U. S. Army trucks.

- a. Khaki.
- b. Olive Green.
- c. Battleship Grey.
- d. Red, White, and Blue.

2

What famous motor industrialist has been

making the front page by his plans for mass production of airplane engines?

- a. Henry Ford.
- b. William S. Knudsen.
- c. Paul G. Hoffman.
- d. M. M. Gilman.

The largest field piece in use by the U. S. Army is the 240 mm. howitzer. For transport, how many trucks (or tractors) are required to take care of this howitzer and its accompaniment?

- a. Two.
- b. Four.
- c. Seven.
- d. Seventeen.

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How about a memory question? In the World War of 1914-1918, Diesel Fuel took on a role of vast importance. Why?

 a. It made practical the widespread use of the submarine.

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ideal, i.e., a uniform method of licensing.

That ideal is the most important of the several objectives of a uniform method of rating truck capacities. One objective is to be prepared in case ability factors are imposed to eliminate extremely slow-moving trucks, and the other is to enable competitive trucks to be compared so that their relative ability to do what their makers claim can be evaluated.

2. MR. BUDD, of the Chicago, Quincy & Burlington Railroad and of the National Defense Advisory Commission, may not think the motor truck worthy to be classed as a "form of transportation" important to the defense program, but the Federal Government seems to be proceeding on the assumption that it is.

By means of a new Federal Aid Bill, just signed by the President, Congress has moved to improve 75,000 miles of strategic highways in order to make them adequate for defense needs. An analysis of the Bill and of the interpretation given it by the Federal Works Administrator permits the clear inference that in most instances improvements for defense purposes made on the Federal-aid highway system will be such as are desirable for normal commercial peace-time traffic.

When matched by the States and combined with funds previously appropriated but not yet spent, the money made available by the new Bill will provide \$800,000,000 which

the Commissioner of Public Roads may use on strategic roads. Based on a study made by the War Department, many miles of this strategic system need widening, straightening and strengthening, and many bridges are in need of improvement.

Approximately 14,000 miles of the system need to be strengthened. About 5500 miles are less than 18 ft. wide and must be widened. Of the 16,000 rural bridges in the system, 1800 have a capacity of less than 30,000 lb. and must be strengthened. Height must be given to 150 bridges because they have a vertical clearance of less than 12½ ft., and 1700 bridges must be widened because their horizontal clearance is less than 18 ft.

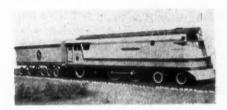
It is understood that costs of improvements will be so allocated that civilian users of the highways will assume only obligations that are fairly theirs. They will not bear the burden of improvements which have no peace-time value, and if an improvement has more military than civilian value the costs will be so proportioned.

Doubtless much more than \$800,-000,000 will be spent on the strategic system in the next few years. A survey is now being made to determine the total cost and will be the basis for making additional appropriations.

But whatever the total cost allocated to civilian highway users, the burden will be well worth shouldering because of the benefits that must inevitably follow; benefits that political opponents of truck transportation will have difficulty in withholding if the industry plays its cards right.



As handsome as it is efficient, this unit handles 120 cases and 40 cans of milk to speed-up down-town deliveries for the St. Paul (Minn.) Milk Co. The streamlined body has a 2-in. Dry-Zero lining; is cooled by wet ice. Chassis is International's D-300



When a train gang gets time off, they build, of all things, a truck! Built by the Milwaukee Road Post of the American Legion, it's a 45-ft., half-scale model of the streamliner "Hiawatha," mounted on a special Dodge 11/2-ton truck with dual front steering



Dy-Dee Laundries throughout the nation are famed for their innovations, but it took New York's General Diaper Service to produce the industry's largest vehicle—a Fruehauf trailer that holds a million diapers and sports a specially designed loader to boot.

- b. It was used in the famous German Zeppelins,
- c. It was the only motor fuel available in Germany in the late months of 1917 and in 1918.
- d. Trucks transporting "Big Berthas" were powered by Diesel Fuel.

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How many horses are put on relief whenever a truck is used in the transportation of Army Field Artillery? Answer—Each truck replaces—

- a. Two horses.
- b. Four horses.
- c. Six horses.
- d. Twelve horses.

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Put the finishing touches on this sentence. The big proving and testing grounds for motor equipment for the U. S. Army is located at—

a. West Point, N. Y.

- b. Aberdeen, Md.
- c. Ft. Knox, Ky.
- d. Governors' Island, N. Y.

7

How many times in the past six months have you heard the terms "mechanized" and "motorized" troops? Well, what's the difference, if any? The correct answer is among these three.

- a. Motorized troops combat from mobile units, while mechanized troops are merely transported by vehicles but combat apart from the vehicle.
- b. It's vice versa.
- c. There's no difference. The two terms are interchangeable.

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Because of the uncertainty of terrain to be traversed, army vehicles require quite a bit of special equipment. That is why a major part of our army trucks are equipped with—

- a. Knee action.
- b. Third axle.
- c. All wheel drive.
- d. continuous tractor-type tread.

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Do you recall the Liberty Motor of the First World War? Do you recall, too, that it was designed and produced mainly by—

- a. Ford Motor Co.
- b. General Motors.
- c. Packard Motor Co. d. Mack Mfg. Co.

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Complete the quiz by completing this sentence. The new special Maintenance and Operation Training School in Detroit is conducted by the War Department in conjunction with—

- a. General Motors.
- b. Chrysler Corp.
- c. Ford Motor Co.
- d. Federal Motor Truck Co.

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BIG changes are taking place in truck tires. The tire industry as an in-

dustry is moving towards simplification of the present complex size and type structure by eliminating tires that are practically duplicates although masquerading under different markings.

Before you get alarmed over the possibility that the new program will leave you with some obsolete rims or wheels, or that you may have a transportation job to do and that no tire manufacturer will sell you economical tires for the job, rest assured that:

Tires will fit any job they ever fit; Tires will fit any rim they ever fit; Tires will fit any dual spacing they ever fit.

Thus comforted we can proceed to look into the present truck tire simplification program and see exactly what is being done to eliminate highpressure tires, as such. Then we can consider the benefits of the simplification program which since it eliminates some sizes should take some of the mystery out of tire selection.

In order to understand what the tire manufacturer has been up against in manufacturing truck tires and, incidentally, what the fleet operator has had to contend with in selecting the proper tires, take a look at Table "A". The first part gives the specifications of the high-pressure tires that fit 20-in. rims. The second part gives similar data on low-pressure tires that fit 20-in. rims.

It makes no difference how tire sizes got that way. That is the way they are. The nominal sizes, that is, the dimensions by which they are known, have little to do with the actual sizes of the tires. However, buyers identify tires by the nominal sizes and it would be a hopelessly confusing job to attempt to educate them in more accurate designations.

Now forget for the moment the left hand column of the tabulation which identifies the tires by nominal size. It was put there just to show you that we were not ringing in any phony examples. Look at the rest of the specifications, especially the actual section sizes and rim sizes.

The actual section of the 30 x 5



Typical marking on new tire that replaces low pressure tire only

TABLE A-Specifications of Old Tire Sizes

HIGH PRESSURE

Nominal Size	Actual Section Size (In.)	Nominal Rim Width (In.)	Actual Rim Width (In.)	No. of Plies	Pressure (Lb.)
30 x 5	6.10	5	3.75	8	75
32 x 6 TT	6.60	5	3.75	8	75
32 x 6	7.15	6	4.33	10	80
34 x 7	8.15	7	5.00	10	85
36 x 8	9.30	8	6.00	12	90
38 x 9	10.90	9/10	7.33	14	95
40 x 10	11.75	9/10	7.33	16	100
		LOW PR	ESSURE		
6.00-20	6.20	5	3.75	6	45
6.50-20	6.75	5	3.75	6	50
7.00-20	7.45	6	4.33	8	55
7.50-20	7.95	7	5.00	8	55
8.25-20	8.60	7	5.00	10	60
9.00-20	9.70	8	6.00	10	65
9.75-20	10.10 10.55	9/10	7.33	12	70
10.50	11.10	9/10	7.33	12	75
11.25	11,60	9/10	7.33	14	80
12.00	12.95	11	8.37	14	85
12.75	13.55	11 0	8.37	16	90
13.50	14.10	- 11	8.37	16	95

TIREMEN TRIM



High-pressures, as such, are eliminated, and balloons are given dual markings as first step in simplification program



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Double marking on tire that replaces high and low pressure tires

TABLE B-Changes in Actual Section (20 in. Rim Sixes)

Old Balle	on Sizes		Plies s	v Sizes ame as ti placed	re	Old High	-Pressu res	re
Nominal Size	Actual Section (In.)	Rim Size (In.)	Nominal Size (In.)	Actual Section (In.)	Rim Size (In.)	Nominal Size	Actual Section (In.)	Rim Size (In.)
6.00-20-6Ply	6.20	3.75	8.00	6.20	3.75	30 x 5-6P	5.95	3.75
6.50-20-6P	6.75	3.75	6.50	6.75	3.75	32 x 6-8P	6.60	3.75
7.00-20-8P	7.45	4.33	7.00	7.30	4.33	32 x 6-10P	7.15	4.33
7.50-20-8P	7.95	5.00	7.50	8.00	5.00	34 x 7-10P	8.15	5.00
8.25-20-10P	8.60	5.00	8.25	8.60	5.00			
9.00-20-10P	9.70	6.00	9.00	9.70	6.00	36 x 8-12P	9.30	6.00
9.75-20-12P	{10.10 10.55	6.00 7.33	10.00	10.20 10.75	6.00 7.33	38 x 9-14P	10.90	7.33
10.50-20-12P	11.10	7.33	11.00	11.20	7.33			
11.25-20-14P	11.60	7.33	12.00	11.80	7.33	40 x 10-16F	11.75	7.3
12.00-20-14P	12.95	8.37	12.00	12.25	8.37			
12.75-20-16P	13.55	8.37	13.00	13.15	8.37			
13.50-20-16P	14.10	8.37	14.00	14.10	8.37			

TRUCK SIZES



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high-pressure tire is only 1/10 of an inch away from being identical in measurement with the actual section of the 6.00-20 low-pressure tire. The 36 x 8 high-pressure tire measures within 4/10 of an inch of the 9.00-20 low-pressure tire.

It soon becomes obvious that too many different size tires are being built to do the same job. The overlapping of the various tires reaches a point where it would be comical if it were not for the fact that tire manufacturers have to build all of the tires. which means separate molds and machinery: the tire distributors have to buy and stock all of these sizes, and the fleet operator has to pick his tires with great care to prevent himself from getting in the position where he has to stock most of them. In the meantime, it costs money to make this great variety of tires and, who do you think pays for this custom tailoring? These fellows in Akron are pretty nice fellows, but they are not in business for their health.

So last summer the member representatives of the Tire and Rim Association got together, flushed with their success at ironing out a similar situation in the earth-mover tires, and attacked the truck tire mess with great gusto. The enthusiasm was needed because the high pressure-low pressure size maze had gotten that way over a period of years and was the tire industry's favorite problem child. It was not a question of anyone liking it that way; it was simply a question of getting up enough steam to overcome the mental inertia.

Out of this huddle came a program to eliminate the high-pressure tire as such. To do this it was necessary to make minor changes in the actual size of some of the sections. The net result is that low-pressure tires nominal sizes are changed somewhat in the larger sizes. The actual section size varies a bit in some cases and in others it is identical with the section of the old tire. The high-pressure tires are replaced by the appropriate size tires in the low-pressure nominal size classification. These tires are described as extra-service balloonhigh-pressure type. They have two

(TURN TO PAGE 84, PLEASE)

Right: Different'al in brake shoe return spring pressure is an important cause of unequal low-pressure braking

Opposite: Checking brake drum temperature with a pyrometer (left) and (right) measuring pressure needed to produce 1 in. brake chamber stroke

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WHEN brakes are operated by air pressure it is logical to assume that

since the same amount of air pressure actuates each separate set of shoes, each wheel will have the same amount of retarding force applied to it simultaneously. This is another way of saying that an air brake is an inherently equalized brake. In practice there are some cases where it does not work out that way and these cases disturbed the Bendix-Westinghouse Air Brake Co. technical staff, who hate to see the laws of physics upset and air brakes give less than complete satisfaction.

So in 1937 the Bendix-Westing-house Company set a squad to work to find out why some brakes were giving erratic performances. You can call it a research group or finder-outers or anything you like. Anyhow some were engineers and some were service men. Their job was to determine why all air brakes did not perform according to the book and what to do about them. They worked in the laboratory and among truck fleets keeping records of everything they did.

Knowing air brakes as they do. these men knew that if you gave the brakes 60 lb. of air, which is the maximum pressure that the brakes are designed for, all the brakes would go on simultaneously and that there could be correct braking effort at each wheel, provided, of course, that the brakes were reasonably well maintained. This being the case they concluded that perhaps brakes were not used that way and that they had better find out exactly how they were used. The old standard test of giving the brakes "the business" with all the pressure still gives the right answer but it is not the answer to the question which concerned them.

It did not take this crew long to



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find that 70 to 90 per cent of the average truck brake applications were made with between 5 and 25 lb. of air pressure and the Bendix-Westinghouse Company now has tons of written evidence in its files to show that this is true regardless of the type of service in which the vehicle may be engaged. Armed with this information, which is rather startling, the job became one of finding out what happened when the brakes were applied with the low pressures within the range of 5 to 25 lb.

Somewhere early in the investigation it was necessary to find some portable test equipment because of the scarcity of brake testers. Based on the idea that the brake that does the most work develops the most heat, pyrometers were found to be entirely satisfactory. The type used has a convenient handle with a dial gage and an adjustable holder for the thermo-couple. The pyrometer costs \$65 and the thermo-couple costs \$12.50. The pyrometer and a pressure gage were all the equipment needed, except the regular brake maintenance tools.

Now after three years the investigators are willing to report on their findings. They have found that at the 4 to 25 lb. pressure range, brake shoes do not contact the drums at the same time nor exert the same amount of pressure in all cases. The reasons for this are probably not new to the air brake men. That the reasons could add up to such important inequalities in brake applications probably is. To make the brake shoes carry an equal load in the function of braking the Bendix-Westinghouse





BRAKES BY ANALYSIS

men are now, like the diesel men, preaching a new order of cleanliness. In addition to that they are willing to go on record as saying that unequal braking effort for the most part is caused by:

 Differential in brake shoe return spring pressures;

Differential in brake chamber spring pressures;

3. Lack of lubrication in the cam shaft bearing and hinge pins;

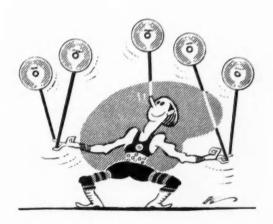
4. Lack of lubrication between the cam and follower plates;

5. Mis-alignment of brake cham-

6. Mis-alignment of cam shafts.

They suggest "brake analysis" as a cure for erratic brake performance at any air pressure. "Brake analysis" consists of testing with the py-

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70 to 90 per cent of all air-brake stops are made with 4 to 25 lb. of air. Here's how to make more and better stops in low-pressure range



BALANCING BRAKES BY

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 23) rometer, orderly procedure in inspection and replacement of parts, and final testing with pyrometer.

The first test is made by checking the unit in regular service, preferably under the most severe operating conditions, or by making 25 or 30 stops from 25 to 30 miles per hour using not more than 15 to 20 lb, pressure. This should bring the brake drum temperatures to about 200 deg. It does not make any difference if they are uniformly a little more or less. If more stops or more severe stops are made the temperature will be greater and not only will the stops be made at pressures above the normal brake application pressures but the high temperature will have such a fast rate of drop that it will be impossible to get around to the brake drums in time to get comparable readings.

The important factor is the brake drum temperature differential. If the brakes are not balanced the temperatures will range from 400 deg. to atmospheric temperature and that will give a pretty good idea of which brakes are doing how much work. At 250 deg. the temperature drop is only 10 deg. per minute. A tempera-

ture differential of 20 deg, or more between wheels of the same axle or 30 to 40 deg, differential between axles means that something is wrong.

The readings should be taken with the pyrometer and thermo-couple and it does not make a great deal of difference at which point you decide to take them so long as you pick identical spots on all drums. The point right at the inspection opening seems to be the most popular with the boys who have done the most of it.

A temperature differential of more than the allowable range might be taken to mean that the wheel with the high temperature was all right and that inspection efforts should be directed at the wheels that had a low temperature. Experience shows that it does not work that way. The wheel with the high temperature might be doing all the work because of conditions inside the drums of the other wheels, but once those conditions are remedied, it may be found that the brake that had been doing all the work was a cripple at that, and doing all the work on a crutch, so to speak. and that with correction of the other brakes it may not even do its share. The answer then is to make sure that all of the brakes are doing what they

should with the test showing which brake is loafing.

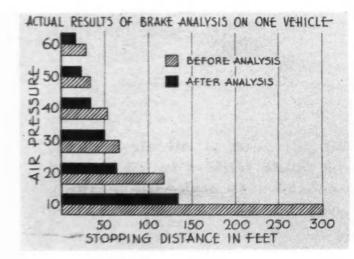
The brake balancing procedure is given in detail.

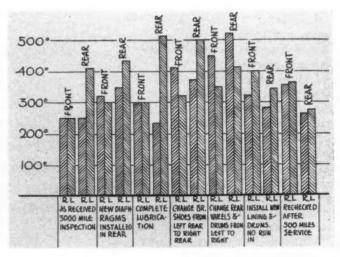
- I. Check brakes with pyrometer.
- 2. Remove wheel and drum.
- 3. Inspect lining for grease.
- 4. Check drum for:
 - (a) Grooving.
 - (b) Scoring.
 - (c) Heat checking.
 - (d) Cracked drums. (Cracked drums must be replaced.)

Recondition or replace if necessary. A new drum should be bolted on to the wheel and then checked in the drum lathe for out of round, which should not exceed .010.

5. Before removing shoes:

- (a) Check hinge pin bushing fit to hinge pin by moving the shoes sideways.
- (b) Check hinge pins for binding 6. If shoes are to be relined, remove them. The following fact must care fully be observed when relining shoes
 - (a) Be sure shoes are thoroughly clean, removing all traces of grease, old lining, rust, etc.
 - (b) Assuming shoes are heavy duty type, mount lining by:
 - I. Cementing lining to shoe
 - Bolting lining to shoe. (Bolts should be of brass with bevel screw heads.) Lockwashershould be used and the boltshould be drawn tight.
 - Prick punch between bol: and nut.





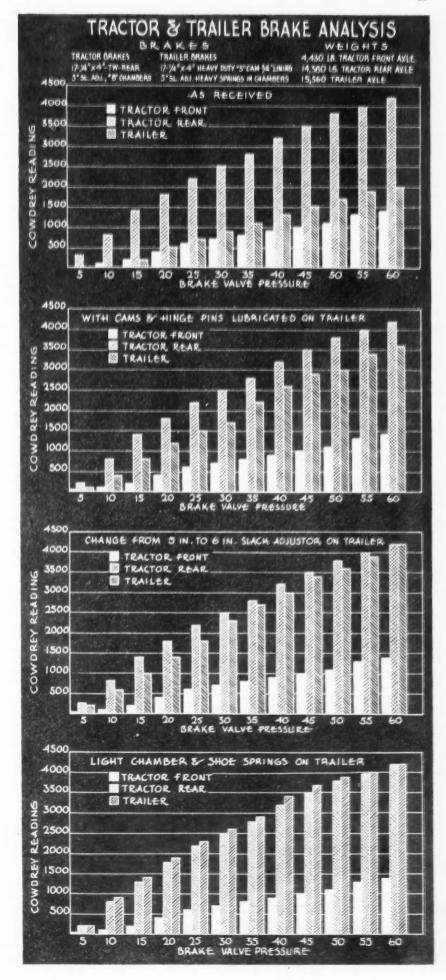
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- Plug holes above holt heads with graphite lining plugs.
 This prevents dirt from collecting in the holes and seoring drums.
- Burnish shoe on burnishing machine to true lining and remove high spots.
- 6. Bevel both ends of lining.
- (e) Inspect lining and shoe to make sure that:
 - Lining width corresponds exactly with shoe.
 - Lining is not cracked at any point.
 - The cam follower plates on shoe do not show excessive wear or looseness.
 - Cam follower plate screws are securely locked with the prick punch.
 - If roller followers are used:

 (a) Check roller followers for flat spots.
 - (b) Lubricate to insure rotation freedom.
 - (c) Check contour of lining by placing shoe in drum. Be sure that perfect contact is made at every
- 7. Before replacing shoes:
 - (a) Clean and thoroughly dry hinge pins, backing plate, camshaft, drums, etc.
 - (b) Inspect hinge pins for worn, rusting or burred condition.
 - (c) Inspect camshaft bushings or bearings for:
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Right: Charts show the successive steps in obtaining balanced brakes as the unit goes through the process of brake analysis. Note the definite improvement of trailer brakes at all pressures.

Left, opposite page: Chart shows the improvement in stopping distances at various air pressures after brake analysis. Right, opposite page: Chart shows how the various steps of brake analysis affected equalization of braking effort on a troublesome four-wheel vehicle.



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WEIGHT

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1. Air Tower By Robert Liles Cincinnati, Ohio

We made an air tower to keep our air hose handy and at the same time keep it off the floor. It consists mostly of two 10 in. pulleys and a length of pipe and a weight. The pipe serves as a guide for the weight and a stop on the end of the pipe keeps the hose within reach. The service area depends upon the length of pipe. A 13½ ft. pipe will give a 40 ft. service area.

The weight is attached to a sleeve that slides up and down the pipe.

2. Reversed Brake Cylinder By George Bacher

General Baking Co., Coatesville, Pa.

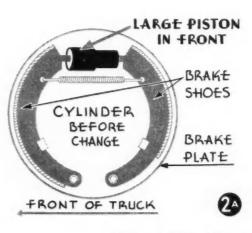
We had a problem with some types of hydraulic brakes. Our operation does not call for severe stops but we like our brakes quiet and we like long lining life. We have some trucks that came to us with the wheel cylinder so designed that a large piston and cylinder were operating the front shoe and a small combination operating the rear shoe. Since the front shoe did most of the work the lining on this shoe wore out first. We removed all cylinders and put the left side cylinders on the right side and vica versa. With this change we eliminated all noise and our lining lasts longer and the brakes are perfectly satisfactory.

3. Grease Retainer

By Ralph A. Parker

George E. Tripp, New Bedford, Mass.

We had some trouble with grease leaks at the rear of 1940 Ford truck transmissions. The result was that the hand brake got covered with grease and became ineffective. To remedy



this trouble we removed the grease retainer and drilled a small hole on the inside surface of the retainer shell. We were careful not to destroy either the rawhide or the spring. The grease that finds its way into the retainer then drains back into the case instead of following along the shaft.

4. Radiator Spring Catch

By William C. Acker

San Francisco, Cal.

When placing heavy radiators on trucks the job of compressing the springs is a tough one since the bolts are always shorter than the springs when they are free. To overcome this we place a nail through the cotter pin hole in the bolt and through the turns of the spring. Then by turning the bolt with a wrench the nail will ride the turns of the spring compressing it until the nail is at the bottom of the spring. Since the cotter pin hole is always about 1/2 in. from the end of the bolt the radiator can be put in place and the nut started without any trouble.

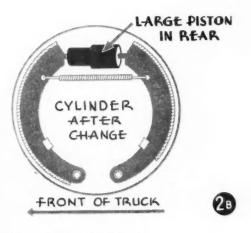
Rear Wheel Bolts

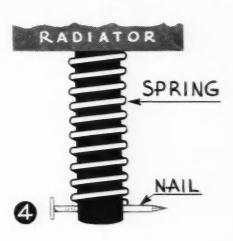
By E. K. Greist

Greist Coal and Supply Co., Cleveland, Ohio

We had some trouble with some of our trucks in keeping the rear wheels tight and also in keeping grease from leaking out the rear hub flanges. To remedy this we bought from a Ford dealer wedge shaped washers which are standard on the Ford and ground an old $\frac{3}{4}$ in. drill to 45 deg. On the trouble makers we countersink the hub flange holes with our modified drill and insert the wedge washers with the bolt and lockwasher and we have no more trouble.







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ROLL OUT THE BARREL



Could well be the theme song of brewery fleet that has built an outstanding safety record while keeping both barrels and bottles rolling through big city streets

by G. B. VAN BUSKIRK
General Traffic Manager, John F. Trommer, Inc., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Photographs show some of the types of truck equipment used by the Trommer Breweries. The accident card is checked for type and cause as listed below





SINCE the very beginning of the post prohibition era when we began

building up our truck fleet which now numbers nearly 250 vehicles, we realized that we had a particularly tough problem from the safety angle. There is the fact, for instance, that the great bulk of our deliveries are made right in the heart of the world's most congested traffic area—greater New York City and its immediate environs in northern New Jersey, southeastern New York, Long Island and as far north as Boston.

Even more of a problem is the fact that we carry nothing but beer. Our drivers call almost exclusively on bartenders, whether they operate fancy restaurants, beer gardens, tap rooms or just plain corner saloons. In the majority of cases these drivers are also salesmen, charged with the job of keeping customers satisfied. Hence the temptation to "knock one off" with a friendly customer in the interest of goodwill is ever present.

Then there are the attendant ailments of a "scattered" fleet to meet. Our two main garages are located near the two breweries at Brooklyn and Orange, N. J., and each maintains approximately 90 trucks. But the rest of the fleet operates out of seven branch distributing points each with its own complement of trucks. These are at Hicksville, N. Y.: Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; Dover, N. J.; Hamden (New Haven), Conn.; Newburgh, N. Y.; Hensonville, N. Y., and Boston, Mass. There are shop foremen at each of the two main plants, but only the branch manager, who is primarily interested in sales, and a mechanic who handles greasing, washing and minor repairs are available to keep tabs on these outlying trucks and their drivers.

Last but far from least, is the fact that ours is a seasonal business with the resultant personnel prob-







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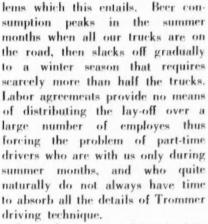
TYPES

- 1. Backing up
- 2. Intersection
- 3. Turning (right or left)
- 4. Cutting in or out-passing
- 5. Head on or approaching
- 6. Hit car ahead (stopping)
- 7. Hit in rear (stopping)
- 8. Parking, parked or stopped
- 9. Passing (car started from curb)
- 10. Pedestrian or animal
- 11. Cargo (loading or unloading)
- 12. (Unassigned)
- 13. (Unassigned)
- 14. (Unassigned)
- 15. (Unassigned) 16. False claim
- 17. Sidewalk doors
- 18. Damaged property

CAUSES

- 1. Improper or failure to signal
- 2. Misjudged distance
- 3. Inattention
- 4. Vehicle door
- 5. Mechanical defect
- 6. Improperly parked
- 7. Speeding or too close
- 8. Skidded
- 9. Rain—snow—ice—water
- 10. Other car—other driver
- 11. Hitching
- 12. Cargo
- 13. Failure to keep right
- 14. (Unassigned)
- 15. (Unassigned)
- 16. Beating light or cutting off other car
- 17. Improper precaution18. Wear and tear





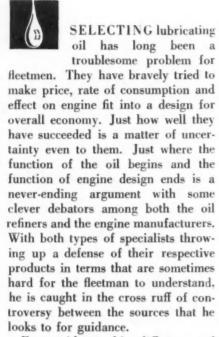
From the start we determined to accept these odds as a challenge rather than a block to our safety progress and with the exception of a single year (1936) our accident rate per vehicle has gone steadily downward. To be sure, our 1939 accident rate per vehicle per year of 1.03 accidents sounds high alongside figures for other industries, but it's 47 per cent below our 1935 level of 1.95 and bear in mind that the figures include all delivery accidents. If a passing car side swipes one of our trucks when parked, if a beer keg cracks a sidewalk, if a proprietor makes a claim for repairs allegedly caused by our equipment, whether we are at fault or not, the accident is charged against that particular vehicle.

We recently awarded 103 drivers, representing nearly 85 per cent of our full-time staff, the National Safety Council Award for no accident driving records. Many of the awards were for two, three and fivevear no accident periods. All meant that the driver had not been involved in any accident of any kind for at least one full year, and every accident counts regardless of who is at fault, whether there is property damage or not. Unfortunately, the parttime drivers are not eligible for the

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LOOKING AT OIL



Even without this difference of opinion the average fleet operator likes to do some independent thinking about lubricating oil since he is the one who pays for it. It is, however. pretty hard to do any constructive thinking without some facts. The only helpful facts in choosing an oil are the specifications of the oil or the results of the operating tests. It is impossible for most fleet operators to make any comprehensive tests of lubricating oils. This leaves the specifications to be considered. They are not a positive indication of a good or a bad oil. They do give an indication of the characteristics of an oil with some relation to its performance in an engine. For the benefit of those who do not know what the various specifications of lubricating oils mean or how they are determined, the following specifications and explanations are given.

The specifications which are considered are:

- 1. Viscosity
- 2. Viscosity index



Oil specifications are easy for fleetmen to understand when it is known how they are determined and what they are meant to convey

Some fleet operators know nothing about oil specifications. Others know a little and would like to know more. The purpose of this article is to provide a starting point for the former, a little more basic knowledge for the latter, so that both may be better equipped to understand oil men's claims

- 3. Gravity
- 4. Pour Points
- 5. Flash and fire points
- 6. Carbon residue
- 7. Neutralization number
- 8. Oxidation stability

VISCOSITY

First and most important is the viscosity number. Viscosity is a measure of an oil's resistance to flow. A very viscous fluid would be molasses and a fluid of lesser viscosity would be water. The more viscous oils are

referred to as "heavy" and the less viscous as "light."

The method of measuring this characteristic has been determined and standardized by the American Society for Testing Materials and the designations by the Society of Automotive Engineers. To determine the viscosity of an oil a given quantity of it is placed in a container with an orifice or opening at the bottom of it so arranged that there is no pressure at the orifice other than that provided by the head of the oil. This equipment

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is commonly known as a viscosimeter.

The oil is then heated to 130 deg. and the valve at the orifice is opened. The length of time that it takes for the oil to run out of the container through the orifice is expressed in Saybolt seconds. The process is repeated with the oil heated to 210 deg. The appropriate SAE viscosity number is then given to the oil by comparing the results of this test with the ranges of Saybolt seconds specified by the SAE for each numerical classification. The larger the number, the

more viscous the oil. It should be emphasized that the viscosity numbers of 10, 20, 30, etc., describe only the viscosity of the oil and have no relation to any other quality or characteristic of the oil.

From a practical standpoint the viscosity of the oil should have some relation to the rate of consumption, other things being equal. The heavier or higher number oils should not disappear as fast as the lighter oils. There is plenty of evidence that even the lightest oils will carry the loads

of any truck engine without difficulty. On one test an oil so light was used that oil was almost continuously poured into the engine to replace that which was consumed, but in all other aspects the oil was satisfactory.

Thus it would seem that the oil to use would be the lightest, or lowest viscosity number, consistent with good oil mileage. It is worthy of note that most of the objection to the heavier or higher viscosity number oils relative to cold weather is purely a starting and warm-up problem. If vehicles are run continuously and stored in heated garages there should be no objection to going to a heavier oil to combat consumption. One other consideration should be borne in mind when choosing a proper viscosity. Heavier oils as a rule show more carbon deposit in the engine than light oils, while light oils are more prone to form sludge, varnish and undesirable oxidation products.

The W added to SAE 10 and 20 in some cases, indicates that the oil falls into a good cold weather starting range measured by seconds at zero degrees. The test does not have any official status, but is recognized by the oil and automotive industries.

VISCOSITY INDEX

Closely related to viscosity is viscosity index. This, so far as automotive lubricating oils are concerned, is expressed by a number somewhere between 0 and 110. Generally speaking, the higher the number the better the oil, with 100 a very good oil. The number is a factor that expresses the difference in the viscosity of the oil at varying temperatures. In other words, does the oil "stay put" or does it "thin out" when hot? A good oil does not vary as much as a less desirable oil.

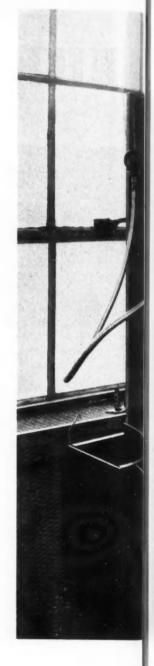
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TIMING AND CALIBRATING AMERICAN BOSCH PUMPS

This third and final article in a series on servicing diesel injection equipment deals with the important procedure that should be followed after pump overhaul

by HENRY JENNINGS

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WHENEVER an American Bosch fuel pump has been completely disassembled and reassembled, it is advisable to check both timing and calibration even though none of the parts have been replaced. Timing and calibration checks must be made whenever parts such as plungers and barrels, delivery valves and seats, tappets, control sleeves or toothed segments have been replaced.

Timing, in this particular connection does not refer to the setting of the fuel injection pump to the engine, but to the internal adjustment of the various pumping units in multi-cylinder pumps.

Injection of the fuel into the engine must occur at a definite moment before the piston reaches top center on the compression stroke and must therefore be the same for all cylinders. It then follows that all cylinders of the pump must be adjusted to each other to give the same interval between injections as the interval between compression strokes in the engine. For example there is a firing stroke every 120 deg. in a six cylinder engine and there must be an injection every 60 deg. of the pump which rotates at camshaft speed or one-half engine speed.

Equally as important as the occurrence of injection at the proper moment is control of the quantity of fuel injected. Naturally the quantity of fuel injected must be the same amount for each cylinder. The internal adjustment of the fuel injection pump by which accurate fuel control is achieved is known as calibration.

To check a pump that is timed for port closing:

1. Set the pump in a vise by means of a special bracket.

2. Connect a fuel supply tank, filter and shut-off valve to the pump inlet.

3. Mount coupling flange on drive end of the camshaft and secure a wheel graduated in degrees with



crank handle to the coupling flange.

4. Unscrew delivery valve holder on No. 1 pump unit and remove delivery valve and spring but not the seat. Replace the delivery valve holder.

5. Fill the supply tank with clean fuel oil. Move the control rod to stop position. Bleed pump of all air by loosening the bleeder screws located at the top of the housing and permit fuel from the supply tank to flow into the pump.

6. Move the control rod to the middle position. Measure the amount of rod extending on either end of pump to make sure that it is in the middle and then clamp the

rod securely in place. (This can also be checked by seeing that the clamp on the control sleeve is in mid-position.)

7. With crank handle turn the camshaft in direction of proper rotation until the plunger in No. 1 pump unit is in its lowest position. In this position fuel will flow out of the delivery valve holder.

8. Turn the crank handle slowly in the direction of rotation until the fuel stops flowing. Care must be used in determining this exact point. It will be necessary to brush away fuel with your fingers or blow it away from the delivery valve holder to determine just exactly when the

Left: The equipment needed for calibrating American Bosch pumps. The output of each injector is measured and adjustment is made until the output varies by less than 5 per cent

flow stops. (During this operation it is of course desirable to have a pan under the pump to catch the flowing oil.)

9. When the exact position of the camshaft for port closing in No. 1 pump unit has been determined in this manner check to see that the timing mark on the coupling hub lines up with the timing mark on the pump end plate.

10. If the timing marks do not line up accurately adjust the tappet of No. 1 pump unit until they do.

11. Turn the pump camshaft until the cam under pump unit No. 1 is at its highest point. Then by inserting a screwdriver between the cam and tappet make certain that there is still some clearance between the top of the pump plunger and the delivery valve. This is obviously very important.

12. Still referring to No. 1 pump unit note the point at which port closing occurred on the graduated wheel. (It may be helpful to set the wheel or its indicator to zero degrees at this point.) Then slowly turn the camshaft in the direction of rotation until the fuel starts to flow from the delivery valve again.

13. Record the number of degrees from stop of fuel flow to start of fuel flow. Better check this several times as it must check with other injectors within $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1 deg.

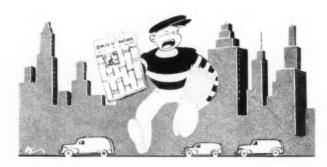
14. Replace delivery valve on No. 1 pump unit and remove delivery valve from next pump unit in the firing order and replace delivery valve holder.

15. Turn crank handle in direction of rotation and note carefully when the fuel stops flowing from the delivery valve holder of the next pump unit in the firing order. On a six cylinder unit this must be 60 deg. from the zero point on the dial and on a four cylinder pump it must be 90 deg. This must be accurate within ½ of 1 deg.

16. If it is not, tappet must be adjusted. If the fuel flow stops too soon the tappet must be lowered and if it stops late the tappet must be

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FRONT-PAGE SAFETY



Nation's largest newspaper fleet attains top safety honors through its concerted program of driver supervision and truck maintenance

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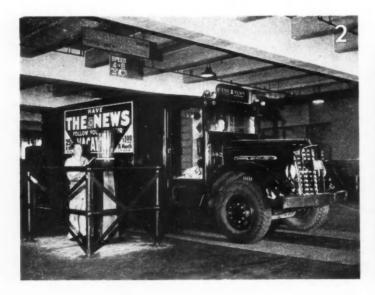
WHEN 385 drivers, handling 183 trucks and other delivery vehicles in the

largest newspaper fleet in the country, establish a low accident rate of 7.85 per 100,000 miles out of a total of 2,914,620 miles traveled, that's news! And when the fleet wins highest honors for safe operation of its delivery trucks for three consecutive years, the news ranks as headline stuff.

The above record was attained by the New York Daily News delivery fleet in winning the Greater New York Safety Council award for 1939 with the lowest accident total of any newspaper fleet in the metropolitan area. By this feat, the News fleet duplicated its 1937 and 1938 safety victories and gained top ranking in its class for the whole United States!

How much an achievement this record is can be judged from the fact that News drivers daily deliver over 1,800,000 copies (3½ million on Sundays) in five separate editions through traffic areas famous for their congestion and, furthermore, that the News includes as an "accident" everything from a stubbed toe to a dealer's newsstand that collapses under the weight of his papers.

Our safety mark is one many fleet operators would give their eye teeth to equal and for the benefit of those inclined to try it, here's the inside account of what makes the *News* delivery fleet tick so safely. Our entire offensive against accident is based on





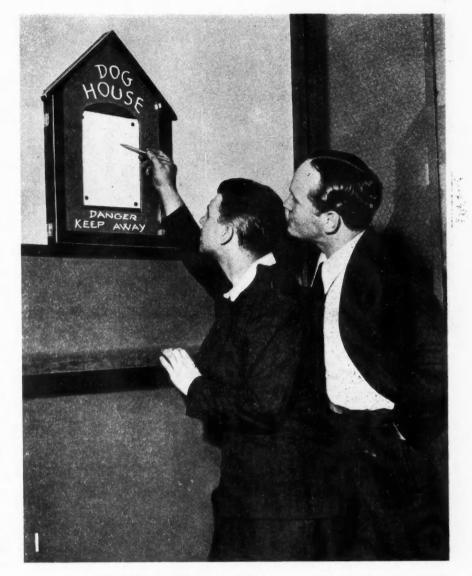
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the premises that practical safety routine, preventive maintenance and driver cooperation are the prerequisites for a safety drive.

The spearhead of the drive is the simple but effective safety program that starts with the driver the day he is hired. Regardless of his experience, a new man starts with the News as a substitute driver and he begins to learn immediately the matter-offact routine of our safety methods. As he gradually learns his job, this man becomes a relief driver, then a "recovery" driver in which he trucks special and late editions of the News to delivery units at various "refueling" points. Eventually he is assigned a top job as a regular driver with a specific newspaper route. This man is kept fit on the job with free medical and dental care (within limits), sick benefits and health insurance. The entire set-up is appealing enough to make it worth any driver's while to knuckle down to the business of safety.

But before a new man gets past first base, he is given a preliminary driving test under the supervision of an assistant foreman. To qualify for the job, a new driver must back a truck out from between two other vehicles in the *News* garage, drive down a steep ramp and out of the garage and through a congested traffic area. He is either accepted, rejected or given another test, depending on the fault-lessness of his preliminary driving

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1. Drivers involved in accidents are subject to a stay in the "dog house"; names and offenses are listed on printed form. 2. Brakes on every truck are tested after each day's run. 3. A foreman, two safety drivers and the "culprit" comprise the safety court. 4. Electric sign warns of bad weather; drivers are allowed one hour longer for deliveries in bad-weather days—are paid overtime. 5. Drivers carry no tools; three emergency cars stand by for service calls



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SOLD! SEALED BEAMS



Fleetmen okay sealed beams on grounds that they give better light at less cost

LEETMEN are sold on the new sealed beam headlights! At least that's the unanimous opinion of representative fleetmen who COMMERCIAL CAR JOURNAL asked to "have a say"—based on their experience with the new units after a year's service in the field.

Since the new lights constitute such a radical change from the former types, we figured there might be new problems. How about maintenance costs? Are there any chronic troubles? Is the performance of sealed beam headlights as good as the claims made for them?

Accordingly we singled out a group of representative fleetmen who, we knew, were operating large fleets of passenger cars and trucks equipped with the new lights. Then we went after them with a series of questions that asked (1) did they prefer sealed beam headlights, (2) did their drivers prefer them, (3) did the new lights have longer or shorter lives than the miniature bulbs, (4) did they increase or decrease maintenance costs, and (5) had the fleetmen encountered any chronic difficulties with the lights? We even promised complete anonymity to draw out the inner man!

What were the answers? Every one said he preferred the sealed beam units to the former types and in the light of subsequent answers "preferring" can be interpreted as both personal opinion and economic soundness.

When it came to what the drivers think about the new lights the answers again were an unqualified "yes." One operator said: "We find that drivers select units equipped with the sealed beam headlights when they have the opportunity." Another commented: "Drivers are satisfied and as a result we have less complaints about poor lights." Still another: "Many of the drivers have remarked concerning the much improved illumination given by the sealed beam headlights and a number of vehicles not originally equipped with these lights but which are used considerably for night driving, have been equipped with the replacement units with adapters." One operator came up with a laboratory touch to his statement when he said: "Drivers

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NASH CAR FOR FLEETS

New "600" series features 172 cu.-in. engine, 4 coil springs, light weight and high economy

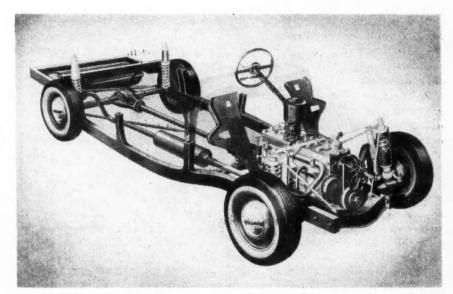
ASH Motors Division of Nash-Kelvinator Corp. has announced a new car of the size and type that interests fleetmen. The car is built on a 112-in. wheelbase and the weight of the four-door sedan is estimated at 2550 lb. The car is 194 in. long from bumper to bumper. It is known as the Nash Ambassador "600," and its price is directly competitive with the low-priced "big three."

The car is powered by a six-cylinder L-head engine with a bore of 31/s in. and a stroke of 31/4 in. giving a piston displacement of 172.6 cu. in. The engine is rated at 75 hp. at 3600 r.p.m. Maximum torque is 136 lb. ft. at 1200 r.p.m. It has a 6.7 to 1 compression ratio.

Intake manifolds are cast inside the head and cylinders are completely water-jacketed. A vacuum spark advance contributes to fuel economy which is described as reaching such figures as 30 miles per gal. Steel strut aluminum pistons are used.

Springing is by four coil springs and direct acting shock absorbers. The front suspension is unusual in that inside the front springs are kingpins 20 in. long. They are supported at the top by a horizontal steel tube and at the bottom by a bridge type truss that is part of the welded steel body. A collar rides up and down the kingpin on roller bearings carrying the front wheel spindle at its lower end. The upper end supports the coil spring which carries the body weight on a tapered roller bearing.

Since the rear suspension is by coil springs there is a torque tube as well



Chassis view shows unique front-end suspension (note horizontal steel tube across tops of springs) rear coil springs, and stubs of welded body frames Photo at upper left shows four-door sedan. A business coupe is also available

as a sway bar and radius rods to keep the hypoid axle in alignment. Rear shock absorbers are mounted inside the coil springs.

A cooling grille extends horizontally across the front of the car. Diecast vertical grilles fill the space between the hood and the fenders. Sealed beam headlamps fit trimly into the high crown fenders. Bodies are of the torpedo type with two-tone finish and feature unusual roominess. Front seats are 575% in. wide. An unusually large V-shape windshield and a large curved glass rear window provide good vision. Running boards are invisible with the doors closed except for a crash bar. Both sedan and business coupe models are available.

NEW AUTOMATIC GAS DISPENSER-RECORDER

F real interest to the fleet operator is the development of an automatic gasoline dispensing and recording machine. This unit was built primarily to simplify and reduce the costs connected with the handling of gasoline in fleet operation. The inventors of the device are Walter Ermer, Transportation Manager of The Telling-Belle Vernon Co. at Cleveland, Ohio, and Stanley H. Palmer of The Sanitary Milk Co., Canton, Ohio (subsidiaries of the National Dairy Products Corp.).

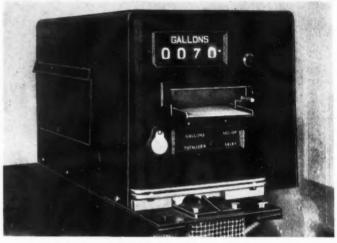
In almost every fleet operation, one of the following methods is used in filling the gas tanks of the vehicles:

 The driver fills the tank and marks down the amount dispensed on a card or sheet of paper—a method unsatisfactory due to error and possible dishonesty.

2. The driver fills the tank and a garageman operates the pump and makes the charges. This method is not satisfactory due to the labor cost of the garageman and the possibility of error.

3. A garageman fills the tank, operates the pump and makes the charges. This system is not satisfactory due to the labor cost of the garageman and also the possibility of error.

4. The driver fills the tank and the amount dispensed is stamped on an individual ticket by a manually



operated ticket printer. This system comes the nearest to perfection, but is objectionable due to the manual operation, possibility of inserting tickets incorrectly, large quantity and high cost of tickets used, and difficult and costly daily sorting or posting operation in the office.

With the above objections in mind and by observing this operation in a number of fleets, a machine was designed to really do this job with an absolute minimum of cost and error.

In this system the record card, good for one month of operation, is kept in a rack near the gas pump or in the vehicle. When the driver comes in from his daily run, he stops at the gas pump and inserts his card in the machine where it is automatically locked into position until the cycle is complete. The gallonage numbers of the previous delivery are then automatically cleared to zero and the gas pump starts. The driver controls the flow of gas with the valve in the nozzle of the hose and fills his tank. When the hose is hung on the hook, the gas pump stops, the amount dispensed is automatically stamped on the card, and

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22,000 LB-GROSS DIAMOND T MODEL



DIAMOND T MOTOR CAR CO. announces a new $2\frac{1}{2}$ —6 ton model 702. It features the same combination of massive appearance with exceptionally good weight distribution, together with unusual comfort and ease of handling, as the extra heavy duty line. It is rated for a maximum gross capacity of 22,000 lb.

A new Diamond T Hercules CBWXC3 engine is employed, with a bore and stroke of $4\frac{1}{4}$ in. x $4\frac{1}{2}$ in. and 383 cu. in. displacement. Its features include counter-balanced crankshaft, Tocco hardened, the heat-treated electric furnace alloy iron block and Zollner light alloy pistons. Maximum torque is 282 lb. ft. and the engine develops 99 hp. at governed speed of 2600 r.p.m.

Frame design and depth are as in (Turn to Page 78, Please)



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SERVING this dynamic 'industry that never stands still," Bendix B-K Power Braking has never rested on its laurels. There has never been a working day, since B-K pioneered the vacuum power braking principle years ago, that study, research and creative development have been allowed to lag.

Right now, as the latest result of B-K engineering progress here are four new B-K developments:

A new Hand Control Valve
(for more effective trailer control)

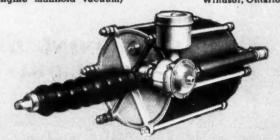
A new "Convac" Pump
(independently lubricated. To provide vacuum
with Diesel engines, or for extraordinarily
heavy power demands beyond the normal
range of gasoline engine manifold vacuum)

A new Power Check Valve
(which insures positive, leak-proof closing of
the valve)

A new Hydraulic Relay Valve (operating directly from the hydraulic brake lines of the tractor)

If you are equipping new trucks with power braking, or if trucks in your fleet have older types of Bendix B-K equipment, we earnestly urge you to consult your Bendix B-K Service dealer with a view to benefiting by these Bendix contributions to power braking efficiency.

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MERRY-NEVILLE TWIN-ENGINE, SEVEN-AXLE TRACTOR-TRAILER

A TRACTOR-TRAILER unit with heavy-duty characteristics designed to appeal to western loggers, big milk companies, petroleum, cement, long distance and highway haulers has been announced by the Merry-Neville

Mfg. Co., Birmingham, Mich.

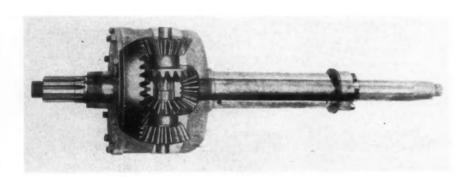
According to the manufacturer the unit largely eliminates the need for truck "trains" in that it can be operated legally with payloads ranging up to 30 tons in those states which

regulate gross weight by weight-peraxle.

A Ford V-8 cab-over-engine tractor-truck equipped with two 95 hp. engines, two transmissions, two drive shafts and two driven axles supplies the motive power. It is controlled with a single accelerator, clutch pedal, brake pedal and two gearshift levers set side by side. The two engines may be operated together or separately and the drive transferred from one to the other at will.

The two rear axles of the tractor and the four equally spaced axles of the trailer are provided with a compensating spring suspension system said to insure level travel for payloads, equal distribution of weight on all wheels and proper wheel contact under varying road and load conditions.

Lateral flexibility of the trailer springs together with the use of center torque bars for coupling each trailer axle to the one ahead causes the trailer wheels and axles to conform to curves.



FWD POWER PROPORTIONING DIF-FERENTIAL FOR SIX-WHEEL DRIVES

A NEW power proportioning differential especially designed for sixwheel drive trucks has been announced by the Four Wheel Drive Auto Co., Clintonville, Wis.

The new differential distributes the driving power to each axle in direct proportion to their normal loaded weight and provides full differential action between the driving axles.

In a six-wheel-drive truck with dual tires on the bogie axles the gross weight is normally arranged so that each of the ten tires on the truck carries its proportionate share of the load. Thus 20 per cent of the gross load is carried on the two tires of the front axle while 80 per cent is carried on the eight tires of the rear bogie. The new differential provides for a power division so that exactly 20 per cent of the driving torque is delivered to the front axle and 80 per cent of the driving torque is delivered to the rear axle.

The basic principle of the new power proportioning differential is similar to the common differential

that divides the power equally. In this, however, the side gears have unequal radii, and the differential pinion gears are arranged to meet the unequal sized side gears. The ratio between the pinion and side gears operate as a continuous lever in such a manner that the same force applied on the shorter leverage of the differential side gear connected to the front axle reduces the torque applied to that axle while the same force applied to the rear leverage of the larger side gear connected to the rear bogie increases the torque to the two driving axles of the bogie.

The gearing is arranged so that a 4 to 1 ratio is obtained and since the balance secured is by gearing, it provides a continuous leverage. In other words, no movement between the gears occurs except where differential action occurs such as is the case in rounding corners, going over uneven ground, or the like.

Advantages claimed include, (1) Increased draw bar pull with free differential action, (2) Added hill climbing ability, (3) Elimination of front wheel spin, (4) Increased tire mileage, (5) Increased all around performance, (6) Lower operating and maintenance costs.

"EXIDES GIVE 6 TO 12 MONTHS LONGER LIFE"

SAYS ROBERTS DAIRY COMPANY, LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

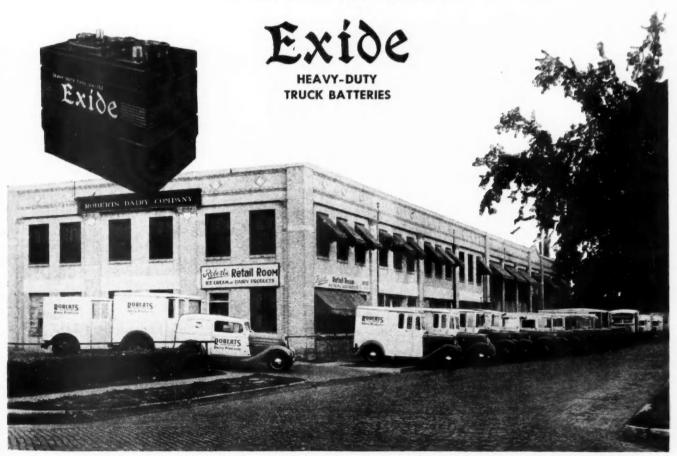
THE ROBERTS DAIRY COMPANY operates a fleet of 48 Exideequipped trucks in the typical stop-start type of service required in making deliveries of dairy products. With engines idling so large a part of the time, generator charging rate is low, making this kind of service especially severe for batteries.

Yet the Roberts Dairy Company, after using Exide Batteries exclusively for eight years, finds that Exides outlive their guarantee by periods ranging from six months to a year. This is testimony, not only to the long life and economy of Exide Batteries, but to the excellence of the maintenance methods of this operator.

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The Roberts Dairy Company, Lincoln, Nebraska, operates a fleet of 48 International, Chevrolet and Ford trucks, all Exide-equipped.

SHOWCASE OF NEW PRODUCTS

New Cotton Tire Cord

A new cotton cord said to have "300 per cent longer flexing life than the best conventional cord of the same gage size" was announced by the National Cotton Council today as cotton's answer to the challenge of rayon in the heavy-duty truck and bus tire field.

Laboratory findings, which have been confirmed by indoor tire tests plus actual road tests conducted in collaboration with the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company, show that in addition to its flexing properties the new cord has a 35 per cent higher breaking strength than the best conventional cord, and very low sensitivity to both heat and moisture.

The Cotton Research Foundation, research agency of the Council, announces that through patent rights the new cord-making processes will be made available to the whole tire industry. The new procedures are the result of three years of intensive study conducted by Dr. R. F. Nickerson at the Mellon Institute in Pitts-burgh under the auspices of the National Cotton Council and its research affiliate. The cost of processing cotton by the new methods will probably be low and it is expected that tires made from it will compare favorably in price with present cotton tires.

Cole-Hersee Switch Panel

A tri-switch auxiliary panel, designed to meet the need of switch mounting space



due to the lack of such space on recent car instrument panels, is being manufactured by the Cole-Hersee Co., 54 Old Colony Ave., Boston, Mass. The knobs, rather than the panel, are marked as to the purpose of each switch and a variety of markings are available. All are of the heavy duty type.

B-K Hydraulic Relay Valve

The new B-K Hydraulic Relay Valve, just announced by the Bendix Products Div., of Bendix Aviation Corp., South Bend, serves primarily as a means of operating vacuum power trailer brakes directly from the hydraulic line of the tractor when the

tractor is not equipped with power brakes.

The new valve includes a hydraulic piston through which the hydraulic pressure in the tractor brake lines operates a poppet type vacuum graduating valve assembly, which in turn controls brake application



through vacuum lines running to the trailer power cylinder.

This new hydraulic relay gives accurate and well graduated control of trailer brakes in correct proportion to tractor brake application.

Air-Oil Crank Case Flusher

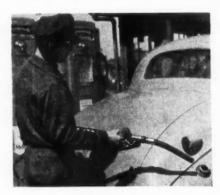
A new method of cleaning and flushing crankcases is introduced by the Electric Heat Control Co., 9127 Inman Ave., Cleveland, Ohio, in the form of that company's new "King" Air-Oil Crank Case Flusher. Consisting primarily of a device which injects a controlled flow of air through the crankcase drain plug the unit works without benefit of engine agitation and with only four quarts of flushing oil (eliminating the danger of flooded clutch housing). Because the air stream is easily adjusted for both direction and height, every part



of the crankcase can be effectively purged of sludge or other foreign matter. The unit lists for \$24.75.

Synthetic Rubber Nozzle

A new flexible nozzle for gasoline hose made of synthetic rubber, is announced by



The B. F. Goodrich Co., Akron, Ohio. The nozzle is listed by the Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc., after tests lasting more than one year and it is the first nozzle using rubber of any type in its construction to pass such tests.

Small flexible wire coils, inserted in four of the 16 molded ribs, provide an instantaneous static ground. Outstanding advantage claimed for the product is faster flow owing to longer length and flexibility of the tube, which goes further into the filler pipe and virtually eliminates back pressure.

Stop and Tail Lamp Bracket

A stop and tail lamp assembly, especially designed to be mounted almost anywhere on the rear of a truck body, is announced



by Do-Ray Lamp Company, 1458 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago. The unit consists of a regular Do-Ray tail lamp and license bracket assembly, together with a special extension angle bracket.

The angle bracket permits the unit to be mounted almost anywhere on the truck to avoid smashing in backing and at the same time clear most obstructions. It can be placed either under the truck body or on top of panel trucks where the laws permit.

33 New Pedrick Ring Sets

The Wilkening Mfg. Co., maker of Pedrick piston rings, has added 33 new Engineered Sets to its line of Steeloil piston rings. Of these, 24 are for use in heavyduty truck and bus engines, and 9 are for use in late model passenger-cars. Most prominent among the engines serviced by the new Pedrick Sets are Cummings Diesel, GMC. Hercules, Waukesha and White.

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No. 84 turns up 180,000



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5.2009 Becomes Law

Congress completed legislative action on the so-called railroad relief bill, S.2009, when the Senate, on Sept. 9, adopted the revised House version. The President signed the Bill Sept. 18.

To be known as the "Transportation Act of 1940," the bill amends Part I (railroads) and Part II (motor carriers) of the Interstate Commerce Act and adds Part III regulating, water carriers.

A third title embraces three miscellaneous matters including (1) creation of a three-man "board of investigation," at \$10,000 a year per man; (2) repeal of the land grants, except for military purposes, and liberalization of R.F.C. loans to railroads; and (3) repeal of specific requirement for bids in connection with governmental procurement of transportation.

The new three-man board, to be appointed for a two-year term of office, is expected to investigate: (1) the relative fitness of each of the three types of carriers; (2) the extent of subsidy to each; (3) the extent of taxes on each, and (4) and other matters "which it may deem important . . . to effectuate the national transportation policy." It will be recalled that the Eastman report on subsidy which was submitted to Congress last April showed that trucks were the only form of transportation not subsidized. This report will undoubtedly be used by the new board, and may provide the springboard for a new effort by the railroads to reverse the findings.

Amendments to Part II, which is the Motor Carrier Section, include the following important revisions:

1. Exemption of motor carriers operating in interstate commerce but physically operating wholly within the borders of a state is authorized if such will not impair uniform regulation. Applications must be accompanied by a state board certificate recommending such exemption and become operative automatically if the ICC fails to act within 60 days.

Contract carrier schedules must contain the minimum actually maintained and charged. Filing of contracts in lieu of schedules is not permitted.

Definitions of common and contract carriers are clarified. Status of express company truck operations is unchanged.

4. A new section directs the ICC to expedite its size and weight study and to report to Congress at the earliest practicable date. (See comment below.)

5. Accident reports may not be used in evidence in any suit arising out of the matter reported on or investigated.

6. Another new section provides for allowances to owners of property transported who render services with respect to the transportation of such property.

Among the more important revisions incorporated in Part I of the act are: (1) an extension of the prohibition of undue preference and prejudice to any "Region district or territory" (recognizing the dispute over southern rate inequalities); (2) extension of the "long and short haul" clause to water carriers but not motor carriers, and (3) extension of clauses relating to consolidations and mergers to all carriers.

Production Data

Truck production figures for the U. S. and Canada appear on page 127.

ICC "Sizes & Weights" Report

The long-awaited ICC report on "Sizes and Weights," provided for in the Motor Carrier Act of 1935 and expedited in the new version of the bill just passed as S.2009, made its initial appearance without benefit of the commission's formal approval in the form of a 660-page preliminary report. Its three parts provide a complete analysis of present state regulations, of existing road facilities and types of vehicles, and of sizes and weights with regard to highway safety.

Despite the absence of specific recommendations or conclusions the report is an exhaustive accumulation of factual data which clearly demonstrates the present lack of uniformity between states and the need for removal of unwarranted restrictions.

ICC Postpones Private Truck Regulation to Oct. 15; Modification Sought

On Sept. 21, the ICC postponed from Oct. 1 to Oct. 15, the effective date of its MC-3 order. Modification of ICC "safety regulations"

Modification of ICC "safety regulations" affecting certain types of private trucks has been sought by the National Council of Private Motor Truck Owners in a petition filed with the Commission early in September. The requested modifications include:

1. Exemption of private trucks and drivers from all safety regulations (except hours of service and qualifications of drivers) within normal commercial zones surrounding municipalities where frequent stops by smaller trucks is the rule.

2. Exemption of private trucks of 1½ tons from the emergency equipment requirements on grounds that they impose a financial burden and invite petty thievery.

3. Exemption from the driver's log requirement of private trucks confined to municipal commercial zones.

4. Exemption from the log requirements of all "driver-salesmen."

5. Exemption from the log requirements of drivers whose hours on duty never exceed the 10 hour per day, 60 hour per week minimum and whose daily hours on

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New Truck Registrations by Makes by Months

	Auto- car	Brock- way	Chev- rolet	Diam- ond T	Dodge	Fed- eral	Ford	G.M.C.	Hud- son	Inter- nat'i	Mack	Ply- mouth	Reo	Ster- ling	Stude- baker	White*	Willys	Misc.	Total
January 1940	143	117	15,997	563	4,345	153	13,282	3,142	56	5,538	572	718	11	22	85	434	173	326	45,650
January 1939	143	127	13,615	378	4,002	85	10,188	2,384	47	4,709	482	507	168	25	169	348	88	250	37,715
February 1940	94	92	14,145	425	4,341	113	12,092	2,724	60	5,009	425	767	4	31	101	380	182	351	41,338
February 1939	134	98	12,007	308	3,821	79	9,224	2,218	44	4,284	398	510	159	29	143	275	97	274	34,102
March	137	123	18,398	573	5,356	161	14,993	3.457	76	6,943	534	949	6	24	154	660	233	316	53,093
	150	168	16,565	392	4,852	122	11,886	2,772	39	5,507	483	879	175	17	190	371	148	367	45,083
April	156	102	19,429	563	5,654	152	15,444	4,071	92	7,049	656	1,070	7	35	133	840	222	307	55,982
	149	139	16,748	518	4,755	152	11,849	3,243	53	5,713	551	1,025	107	24	173	407	145	312	46,063
May 1940	158	143	16,962	501	5,459	151	13,816	4,334	92	6,743	756	1,065	6	25	112	631	225	374	51,553
May 1939	184	177	15,899	427	5,185	173	11,706	3,215	44	5,359	666	1,118	78	45	196	426	166	317	45,381
June	127	121	14,246	533	4,412	116	11,647	3,357	67	6,291	561	902	20	30	103	574	188	209	43,504
	162	177	14,049	408	4,442	123	10,606	2,740	47	5,105	688	889	53	25	209	434	185	240	40,482
July 1940	160	153		642	4,731	121	14,447	4.252	64	7,104	718	999	78	28	77	476	248	231	50,913
July 1939	300	170		436	4,562	116	12,514	2.872	43	5,744	541	946	31	28	229	358	133	292	44,747
Seven Months 1940	975		115,561	3,773	34,298	967	95,721	25,337	507	44,677	4,222	6,470	132	195	765	3,995	1,471	2,114	342,031
Seven Months 1939	1,222		104,315	2,867	31,619	850	77,973	19,444	317	36,421	3,709	5,874	771	193	1,309	2,562	962	2,109	293,573
% Change Seven Mos.	-20	-19	+11	+32	+8	+14	+23	+30	+60	+23	+14	+10	-83	+1	-42	+56	+53		+17

^{*} Includes Indiana for January and February, 1940 and 1939.



NO MORE SLUDGING— 15% BETTER OIL MILEAGE 5% BETTER LUBRICANT MILEAGE

Mr. Harold E. Webster of White Owl Express Equipment, Pontiac, Michigan, is saving money with Lubri-Zol. He writes:

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In gear lubricants, Lubri-Zol processing not only produces results similar to the above, but also prevents objectionable foaming, maintains an almost constant viscosity in service, and does not precipitate even after long periods of use.

Lubri-Zol Chassis Lubricant has important features for fleet men. It will not smack out under road pounding, nor can it be washed out, and its film strength is at least five times greater than non-processed lubricants.

With a proven background of successful fleet use, Lubri-Zol offers you a complete service from one source of supply. For the services of a qualified fleet consultant to work with you toward lower maintenance and more profit, write today to The Lubri-Zol Corporation, Cleveland, Ohio.

"In one year's use of Lubri-Zol we've had no repairs or adjustments on our 21 tractor units that ran 900,000 miles. Previously we had too much maintenance on gears and our drivers lost a lot of time stopping on the road to clean out badly sludged oil lines.

"With Lubri-Zol complete fleet lubrication we have been 100% successful in overcoming these troubles, haven't had a road stop to clean a sludged oil line since. Gear lube mileage is up 5% and oil consumption has improved by 15%. Averaging 300 miles a day per unit with 16,000 lbs. pay load, that's a good record. We're satisfied."

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duty are shown on records kept by the employer.

6. Exemption from the log requirement of all drivers engaged in repair maintenance, service, sales promotion and the like where driving is only an incidental part of the days work.

7. Modification of the rule requiring physical examination and a doctor's certificate for all new drivers to make the rule applicable on the effective date (Oct. 15, 1940) instead of retroactively as provided in the regulations to Jan. 1, 1940.

The Commission's decision on the petition was expected before the Oct. 15 effective date.

Army Seeks Advice

As the army gets more and more trucks, it's also looking for more and more advice from truck operators. The fleet engineering methods and driver training practices of large fleet operators will be made available through the American Trucking Associations, Inc., and the National Association of Motor Bus Operators, while exhaustive studies in traffic control are being made for the army by the Automotive Safety Foundation.

ICC Establishes Eastern Rates

With a sweeping order establishing minimum class and commodity rates for all common motor carriers within a defined area of eastern states, the Interstate Commerce Commission has moved to end the hodgepodge of truck rates that has brought about a financial crisis for operators involved. The area covers parts of New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and North Carolina, and the order becomes effective Nov. 1, 1940.

Truck Show Banquet, Oct. 15

The seventh annual Motor Truck Show, Inc. banquet will be held at the Commodore Hotel, New York, on October 15, forming one of many feature attractions during the week of the National Automobile Show (Oct. 12 to 20). "Highway Transportation Contributes to National Defense" will be the topic of the day.

Meanwhile, it will be remembered, the Highway Transportation Show under the same auspices continues at the New York World's Fair where it will assume a major role on National Highway Transportation Day at the Fair.

National Safety Congress

The 29th National Safety Congress of the National Safety Council Inc., meets in Chicago Oct. 7 to 11, at the Stevens Hotel. Meetings of the Commercial Vehicle section begin Tuesday morning, Oct. 8 and many of the sessions will be devoted to discussion of fleet safety programs by a panel of experts including a "Safety Information, Please" program. Among the regularly scheduled talks are "How to Organize and Carry on a Practical Maintenance Program" by R. H. Clark, Consolidated Edison Co., New York, and "Safe Winter Driving" by Ralph A. Moyer, Associate Professor of Highway Engineering, Iowa State College.

Western Safety Conference

Western Safety Conference, Inc., will hold its Sixth Annual Convention at the Westward-Ho Hotel, Phoenix, Ariz., Oct. 14 to 18. Safety authorities from 11 Western States are expected to attend.

ATA Convention, Nov. 10 to 14

The 7th Annual Convention of the American Trucking Associations, Inc., will be held at the Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles, November 10 to 14.

Chicago Automobile Show

"Nonstop America" will be the title of the stage spectacle featuring the 41st annual Chicago Automobile Show to be held during Oct. 28 to Nov. 3 in the International Amphitheater, under the auspices of the Chicago Automobile Trade Association. The stage performances each afternoon and evening will dramatize the amazing change in cars and automobile shows since the dawn of the century.

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KEY TO DEFINITIONS, ABBREVIATIONS AND REFERENCES

MAKE AND MODEL mestic Truck Models are listed. Only Dom

OPTIONAL UNITS
For the express purpose of best fitting the truck to the hidvidual job most of the modes listed can be provided with optional engines. Transmissions axies, etc., and these models when se equipped are considered standard stock models.

The chassis list price applies to the min-imum standard wheelbase with standard tires and standard equilipment. All prices are F.O.B. factory. Chassis list price does not include the price of the Cab unless otherwise noted.

RECOMMENDED GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT FOR NORMAL SERVICE

The Gross Weights published herewith are those supplied by manufactures as a ger than tecommended of cross of chald wheth a recommended of cross of chald have an extra charge of the form of the Maximum and are based upon the Maximum infractive the manufacturer may either weight rating when either favorable of unfavorable operating conditions are involved. Since the proper performance of a motor truck depends upon many factors, including grades, road conditions, and the manufacturer is prepared to recommend will vary with parlicular conditions, and the manufacturer is prepared to recommend will vary with parlicular conditions, indending stander of a manufacturer is prepared to recommend will vary with parlicular conditions, and the manufacturer is predefice to manufacturer is predeficed to the manufacturer is predeficed to the manufacturer is predectatalive.

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STANDARD TIRE SIZE
The standard the size listed is that which
is included in the Chassis List Price.

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The minimum standard wheelbase is the so-called standard wheelbase on which the Chassis List Price is based. MINIMUM STANDARD WHEELBASE

MAXIMUM STANDARD
The maximum standard wheelbase is the extreme end of the standard range of wheelbases offered by the chassis make,

MAXIMUM BRAKE HP.
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TRACTORS
Unless given the designation (N)—
meaning not available us a tractor—all
standard models may be assumed to be
available as tractors. Exclusively Tractor models are designated (T).

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KEY TO REFERENCES

c.f.—Cab Forward design.
c.o.e.—Cab-Over-Engine design.
(C)—Converted Ford or Chevrolet model. dentifiable by engine make listed.
(d)—For dump or tractor service only.
(D)—Diesel-engine equipped.
e.b.s.—Engine-brewen-sear design.
e.u.s.—Engine-brewen-sear design.
e.u.s.—Engine-brewen-sear design.
(N)—Not available as a tractor.
(T)—Designed for tractor use only.
(T)—Autocan—Larger service brake areas on rear axies are provided when tires of 24 base are supplied.

(2) Autocar—Price does not include auxiliary axic. Chaesis weight includes auxiliary axic complete; area of brake linns and drum area do not include auxiliary rear axic.

(3) Available—All models available in c.o., design.

(4) Chevrolet—Governor set not to exceed 45 M.P.H.

(5) Condor—These models available with double drop bus frames.

(6) Federal—293 cu. In. engine and 11° foliate available available available to Models 15 and 75. 404 cu. In. and 428 cu. In. engines available on Models 50, 55 and 50H. 428 cu. In. 501 cu. In. and 51 cu. In. and 52 (6a) Federal models 25 and 85, when equipped with 9.00/20 tires, and either Timken 96411 or Eaton 17000 rear axie, have gross rating of 20000 1b.

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KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS

MAKES-ALL

B—Bendix.
BL—Brown-Lipe.
Bu or Bud—Buda.
Cat—Catepillarda.
C1 or Clas—Clark.
C or Chev—Chevolet.
Co—Covert.
Co—Coorthe.
Co—Coorthe.
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Cum—Cimmins-Diesel.
Eat—Derroit Gear.
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BRAKES—SERVICE

2—Two Wheels, rear only,
4—Four Wheels, front and rear,
4—Four Wheels, rear only,
6—Six Wheels, front and rear. Location

Operation I-Internal.

A—Air.
D—Hydraulic and mechanical.
H—Hydraulic.
M—Mechanical.
V—Vacuum.

BRAKES-HAND

Location

C—Center of double propeller shaft.
24—Two-wheel brakes effective on all
24—Two-wheels brough driveshaft.
Four wheels.
3—Jackshaft.
7—Transmission.
F—Driveshaft.
P—Propeller shaft.

Type
D—Tru-Stop disk.
I—Internal.
X—External.

BRAKE DRUMS

a—Cast alloy fron.
A—American Car Foundry.
C—Cast fron.
C—Centrifuse.
CI—Copper fron.
D—Dayton.
F—Ermalite.
F—Frundle. Material

(Where a combination of any of the above is used, the first reference mark applies to the front and the second to the rear drums.)

GOVERNOR STANDARD

Final Drive and Type REAR AXLE

B-Bevel.
C-Chain.
D-Drain.
D-Drain.
Hy-Drain.
Hy-Byold.
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2-Spiral bevel.
W-Vorm.
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X-Sem-idating.

Gear Ratios

(*)Ratios other than standard at extra (**) Only one ratio.

A—Radius Rods and Torque Arm.
H—Hotchkiss (springs).
R—Radius Rods.
T—Torque Arm.
U—Torque Tube. **Drive and Torque**

WHEELS DRIVEN

2F—Borward unit of Rear Axle Group.
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Mack Reduces Prices

Substantial price reductions are announced by Mack Trucks, Inc., New York, on certain light truck models and some cab-over-engine models. Typical of the new scale is Model ED at \$625 (f.o.b. Allentown, less cab) compared with an old price of \$675. Model DE is now \$735 compared with an old price of \$790.

NAPA Repair Manuals

Three new Mechanics' Repair Manuals covering 1939 and 1940 model Chevrolet, Plymouth and Ford-Mercury cars are announced by the National Automotive Parts Association. Each is divided into nine sections covering detailed service information

on engine, carburetor and fuel pump, motor tune-up, clutch, transmission, universal joints and propeller shaft, rear axle, front axle and steering gear, and brakes. Available through any NAPA warehouses and jobbers at a cost of 65 cents each.

Mapco Tune-Up Manual

In addition to electrical service data already issued the Machined Parts Corp. has a new 80-page tune-up manual. It provides all specifications necessary for a complete tune-up of all passenger cars, 1933 through 1940 models. For information on how copies of the manual may be procured without cost, write Machined Parts Corp., 6209 Hamilton Ave., Detroit, Mich.



Caterpillar 4-Cyl. Diesel for Trucks

CATERPILLAR TRACTOR CO. has announced a four-cylinder, 60 hp. automotive diesel engine, called the Model D312. It is a four-stroke, valve-in-head model with a bore of 4½ in. and a stroke of 5½ in. Maximum horsepower is developed at 1800 r.p.m. and maximum torque of 193 lb. ft. at 1200 r.p.m. Piston displacement is 312 cu. in.

Pistons are of aluminum alloy. The block, cylinder head and crankcase unit are in cast alloy iron. There are five main crankshaft bearings, with a total surface of 89.5 sq. in. Crank pin bearings are 25% in. in diameter and 1% in. in length. There is a crankshaft torsional vibration damper.

An air-cooled-type lubricating oil cooler is provided. Pressure lubrication is provided to all main and crank pin bearings, camshaft bearings, valve operating mechanism and timing gears.

The engine fuel system is manufactured by Caterpillar Tractor Co., and features solid injection into precombustion chambers. There is an individual pump and valve for each cylinder; and the system is factory set, requiring no adjustment in the field.

For replacement installations, "Caterpillar's" Model D312 engine is offered as a complete unit, equipped with a five speed Spicer No. 2553 transmission and 13-inch single plate clutch.

Gar Wood Crane For Tree Moving

GAR WOOD INDUSTRIES, INC., Winch Division, Detroit, has obtained exclusive rights to manufacture and sell a tree-moving crane unit for use on truck chassis, in accordance with a license agreement with the inventors, executives of the Davey Tree Expert Co.

This all-purpose unit, particularly suitable for 1½-ton truck chassis. can be erected or removed in ten minutes. The complete equipment



consists of an all-steel platform body, winch with niggerhead, quick-detachable crane (complete with wire rope), universal sheave block, rack sides, two-speed forward and reverse power take-off, controls, adjustable jacks and tool boxes.

With the crane in place, tree balls up to six feet in diameter and three tons in weight are quickly picked up, transported and reset. When the tree crane unit is removed the platform is left clear with the winch in place for other work during the off season.





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Julian Chase Among Recipients of Automobile Old Timer Awards

Five pioneers of horseless carriage days are to be honored at the second annual luncheon of the Automotive Old Timers to be held at the Roosevelt Hotel, New York, on Oct. 16. Those to receive citation for their contributions in the development of the motor car are:

Ransom E. Olds, for whom both Oldsmobile and Reo are named; Charles B. King,

pioneer builder and the first man to drive a car on the streets of Detroit; Walter C. Baker, early car manufacturer and now a principal of the Baker-Raulang Co. (commercial bodies); Julian Chase, who both built and sold automobiles in the early days and who is now directing editor of Chilton automotive publications, and Charles S. Henshaw, of Boston, one of the country's oldest automobile dealers.

John Orr Advanced

John M. Orr, well-known utility fleetman who for the past 12 years has supervised vehicles of Pittsburgh's Philadelphia Co. as general manager of its subsidiary.





Stuart G. Page

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Equitable Auto Co., has been named assistant to the president of the parent com-

His successor as general manager of the fleet is Stuart G. Page, for the past seven years technical assistant to the vice-president in charge of operations of the Du quesne Light Co., also a subsidiary.

Johns Heads Federal Advertising



the new advertising manager of Federal Motor Truck Co., succeeding Stanley G. Mitchell, resigned. Mr. Johns has headed a division of the Sales Equipment Co., specializing in the creation of sales helps for car and truck dealers.

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Forthcoming Federal plans lay special emphasis on cooperative programs for dealers.

Getting Personal

William S. Knudsen has resigned as president of General Motors in order to remove possible conflict between his interest in the company and as a member of the National Defense Advisory Commission. No action has been taken as yet on Mr. Knudsen's successor. GM vice-president C. L. McCuen has been made a member of the administration committee, and Harley J. Earl was elected a vice-president.

George W. Malcomson, regional manager at Atlanta, Ga., has been named assistant sales manager of the Dodge Truck Division of the Chrysler Corp. He has been engaged in sales and promotion work with Dodge Truck since 1930.

O. H. Perkins, former Dodge truck special representative, has been named regional truck manager at St. Louis covering Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana and parts of Illinois, Mississippi, Tennessee and Kentucky.

Roy E. Lowe is the newly appointed manager of the Washington, D. C., branch of the Brockway Motor Co., Inc.

Louis R. Morony, for the past two years executive director of the American Association of Motor Vehicle administrators, now heads the field relations department of the Automobile Manufacturers Association. Cooperation with groups of highway users and organizations having a stake in motor transport is the principal function of the office.

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Recent AC Spark Plug appointments include those of Eugene B. Powell as regional sales manager of the Pacific Coast area, and Ernest W. Wright in the same post for the Southwestern area. Mr. Powell succeeds Charles S. Rogers, resigned and Mr. Wright takes Mr. Powell's former post.

Lou Moser, formerly connected with Hastings Mfg. Co., is now handling the Chicago territory for the Weaver Mfg. Co. of Springfield, Ill., succeeding the late Robert A. Harper.





These are recently-appointed Sealed Power Corp. executives. Raymond Beardsley (left) is secretary; Neil A. Moore is vice-president

Sales personnel shifts at the Kellogg Division of American Brake Shoe & Foundry

Co., Rochester, N. Y., include the appointment of H. O. Holland, former eastern district sales manager, as general sales manager with headquarters at Rochester. Curtiss Main will handle the New York district, while Kenneth T. Fawcett, former assistant to the president, takes over Mr. Main's old post in Philadelphia.

Diamond Freight Lines, Inc., Modesto, Cal., has appointed Fred H. Chestnut as transportation engineer with headquarters at the home office.

Don Peirson, Chicago wholesale manager of the White Motor Co., has been promoted to branch manager of the Milwaukee territory.

Frank E. Wilson is now in charge of the Philadelphia territory of Brunner Mfg. Co. of Utica, N. Y., handling both refrigerator and air-compressor lines.

H. A. Myers, newlyappointed assistant branch manager of the Gar Wood factory branch, Long Island City, N. Y.



Walter C. Marmon

Walter C. Marmon, chairman of the board, Marmon Herrington Co., Inc., died at his home in Brendonwood, Indianapolis, Ind., on Aug. 29, 1940.

Pyrene 30-Day Weather Forecasts

Long-range, nation-wide weather forecasting is now available free to fleet operators through their Pyrene Tire Chain jobbers. The unique service, said to predict weather 30 days in advance with uncanny accuracy, is made possible by the retention of Dr. Irving P. Krick of the well-known Krick Industrial Weather Service by Pyrene Mfg. Co.

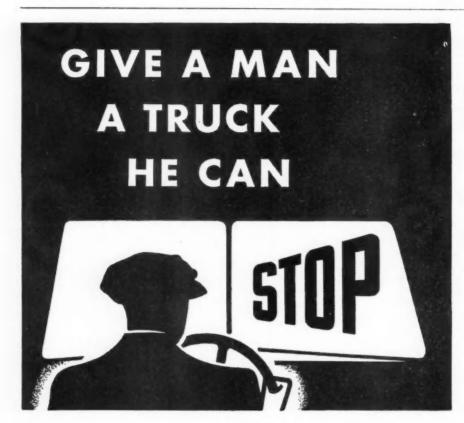
Although seeming far-fetched or even impossible to the uninitiated, the service is said to have been used with marked success by motion picture companies, ball clubs and utility companies over a period of years. Now it is possible for the fleetman, without cost, to predict his weather conditions in advance even on long cross country runs.

Industrial Highlights

For three year's Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. has been developing and producing its own brand of synthetic rubber known as "Chemigum." Recently the company announced that a new plant with an initial capacity of 10,000 lb. of Chemigum per day is being installed at the company's Akron works. Further large expansion is organized if and when the demand arises.

The latest announced contract from the War Department goes to the Autocar Co., Ardmore, Pa., for a huge fleet of half-track scout cars totaling at least \$7.271,000. The units will drive through rubber tracks of the caterpillar type and will be steered by conventional front axle equipment.

The Four Wheel Drive Auto Co. reported (Turn to Page 123, Please)

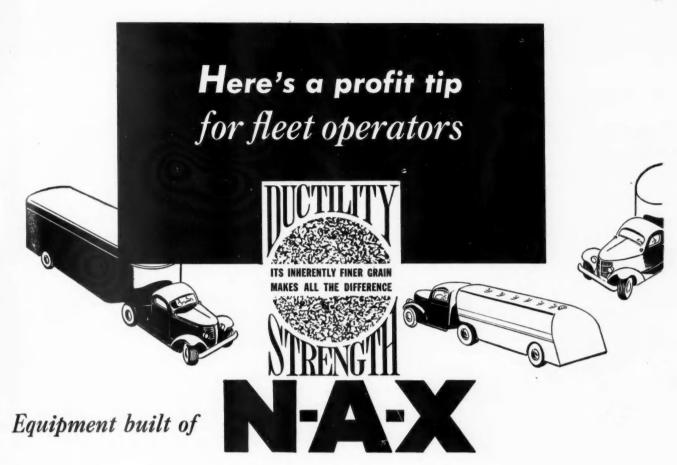


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BALANCING BRAKES BY ANALYSIS

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1. Proper fit to shaft.

- Alignment of bearings on shaft. Make sure there is no binding.
- (d) Check backing plates for:
 - 1. Bent condition.
 - 2. Proper alignment.
- (e) Lubricate camshafts and hinge pins. If hinge pins have grease fittings in end, be sure hinge pin is full of new grease.
- 8. Remount shoes.
 - (a) Replace shoe return springs. Make sure that all springs have equal tension on each axle.
 - (b) Replace shoe lock if hinge pins are adjustable. If pins are of the solid type, they should be held in place with standard lockwasher.
- 9. After all shoes are mounted, but before wheels are installed:
 - (a) Check air pressure necessary to produce 1 in. brake chamber stroke at 0 cam position and 1/2 in. shoe spread when 3/8 in. lining is used, 11/4 in. shoe spread when 1/2 in. lining is used and 134 in. shoe spread when ¾ in. lining is used, this check to be made with the test gage connected in the application line. The pressure should not be less than 4 lb. at the 0 cam position or more than 8 lb. at the maximum shoe spread. A differential of not more than 1 lb. between wheels on any axle is permitted.
 - Check the brake chamber springs. Make sure they are the proper springs for the brake chambers.
 - (a) While checking brake chamber springs, also check diaphragm for wear and cracking.
 - Check shoe return springs. Be sure they have equal tension on each axle.
- 10. Clean wheel hub of all old grease. Make sure that grease slinger is thoroughly clean, so that any grease passing the retainer ring can escape to the outside of the drum.
- 11. Wash drum and hub with suitable cleaning fluid.
- 12. Check all wheel bearings and races.
- 13. Repack wheel bearings.
- 14. Clean and check grease retainer.
- 15. Remount wheels.
 - (a) Adjust wheel bearings in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendation.
- 16. After a reline:
 - (a) Make major brake adjustment as specified by vehicle manufacturer.
 - (b) Camshaft.
 - 1. Check camshaft to be sure that it is properly aligned

and operates freely with no binding.

- (a) Check cam shaft bearings and replace if necessary.
- 17. Check slack adjusters to make sure that:
 - (a) Slack adjusters are not adjusted backwards.
 - (b) Make sure that slack adjuster travel is equal on each set of wheels.
 - (c) Make sure that slack adjusters are set at the same angle on each set of wheels.

The important thing is, of course, the net result. Measuring the result mechanically, the following chart shows how much air pressure was required for the various stops made by a vehicle operating over the same route before and after brake analysis. The stops were not planned but were made for normal reasons. Note how much less pressure was required after the brakes were balanced.

BRAKE PRESSURE BEFORE AND AFTER ANALYSIS

Brake	No. Applications	No. Applicatio
Pressure (1b.)	Before Analysis	After Analysis
5		10
7.5		4
10	7	40
12.5		8
15	7	22
17.5		6
20		23
25	21	4
30	17	4
35	5	1
40		
45		
50		
55	1	
60	1	
24	1	

Measuring in terms that mean money one truck got 28,000 miles on the first set of brake lining. The next set gave 17,000 miles and the third set 11,000 miles. The original brake lining on the front wheels lasted through these three sets. The brakes were analyzed, balanced and relined on all wheels and when last checked the truck had traveled 65,000 miles.

Last year a fleet operator in mountainous country averaged between 320 and 340 hrs. per month spent on brake maintenance. He was operating 28 tractors and trailers about 300,000 miles per month. Toward the end of last year he got all of the brakes balanced and this year

with the same number of units operating the same number of miles brake maintenance has been cut to about 100 to 110 hrs. per month. In addition, this operator reports that his lining life has shown a sharp increase and drum failures have been practically eliminated.

Another operator gives results on 100 units in his fleet which have been campaigned and watched carefully. They are:

Brake lining life increased from 8000 to 30,000 miles;

Drum breakage practically eliminated:

Drum turning practically eliminated:

Grease on linings reduced to one or two wheels per month;

No longer necessary to remove wheels between regular 10,000 mile inspections;

Brake adjustments between 2500 mile inspections eliminated;

Bearing failures practically nil; Tire blow-outs due to heat practically forgotten;

Older units show brake efficiency for first time.

After brakes have been balanced the Bendix - Westinghouse company service men think that it will not be necesary to pull wheels more often than every 20,000 miles or when the wheel bearings should be lubricated. The lubrication of wheel bearings is even affected by the brake balancing because when the brakes are operating correctly all wheels maintain about the same temperature. This eliminates the high temperature on one or two wheels which causes the lubricant to run out and the bearings to fail. However, they concede that brake inspections must be adapted to the service and the fleet.

Just in case there has been so much emphasis on equalized braking that it has not been made clear just how the savings are actually made, it should be stated that when the brakes are equalized they are not overloaded. When they are not overloaded it naturally follows that:

Brake lining lasts longer;

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Cracked brake drums are virtually eliminated;

Wheel bearing failures are virtually eliminated;

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LOOKING AT OIL

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Originally a very high viscosity index would distinguish a Pennsylvania oil from any other, but this is no longer so. Solvent refining has raised the viscosity index number of other oils to a level comparable with the Pennsylvania oils. Oil technicians seem to think that if you are looking for a difference in performance of two oils that are, say 10 numbers apart in the viscosity index, you are kidding yourself. Twenty points or more, really make a measurable difference in the oil, but 10 points can be found only in the laboratory.

GRAVITY

The gravity of oil still appears in some specifications. It is a numerical value which is an index of the weight of a measured volume of oil. There are two scales in use among oil technicians. One is specific gravity (a comparison with a similar volume of

water with both oil and water at 60 deg. F.) and the other is the A.P.I. Gravity Scale. The latter is determined by formula involving the use of the specific gravity, which can be measured by a hydrometer. Doubtless this specification is of value to oil technicians. If it is of any value to the fleet operator, your reporter was unable to find out what it could be. Specific gravity is useful in export trade where oil is sold by weight.

POUR POINT

So long as trucks have to be started at varying temperatures, pour point will be an important specification. It is determined by placing oil in a standard container which holds about 4 oz. and chilling it at a standard rate. At stipulated intervals the container is tilted to see if the oil will flow or pour. The lowest temperature at which the oil can be poured is the pour point. Changing the rate of chilling would change the pour point. The test as outlined by the ASTM is the only one generally recognized.

If in service an engine were started when the oil in the crankcase is below the temperature of its pour point the oil would not go through the oil screen in the crankcase, thus causing stoppage of all lubricating functions. The pour point of oils sold in summer is usually around 30 deg. A 10W oil would have a pour point of around 15 deg. below zero, while a 20W would average nearer zero.

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FLASH AND FIRE POINTS

Flash and fire points are a measure of the volatility of the oil. The flash point is the temperature at which the oil will form a gas in combination with the air, which will cause a flash if exposed to a flame. The fire point is the temperature at which the gas formed will continue to burn. These points are determined by placing given quantities of oil in open cups and heating under conditions outlined by the ASTM. A standard flame is passed over the oil at a given height.

These tests were originally used to determine fire hazard and since lubricating oil is never volatile enough to be a fire hazard the specification has no relation to the value of the oil except possibly as a comparison with oil previously used of the same type and from the same source. It is doubtless valuable to the oil technician in con-

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(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 66) trolling his refining processes.

Because volatility is some indication of the amount of light ends used in blending it has some relation to consumption but viscosity is a much better indicator of consumption.

CARBON RESIDUE

Carbon residue is thought to be a measure of the amount of carbon that will be deposited in the engine. Some oil technicians, however, are of the opinion that conditions within the engine and other factors have so much to do with the amount of deposit that the specification is of dubious value. The adherence of carbon formed is one of the factors that upsets the value of carbon residue to the operator. It is hard to compare specification values when carbon sticks to the engine, mixes with the oil and blows out the exhaust in varying amounts.

Carbon residue is determined by placing a weighed quantity of oil in a crucible and heating under the conditions specified by the ASTM. When the oil has been distilled away the residue is weighed and the specification is expressed as the percentage of the starting weight of the oil. A carbon residue specification of .8 would be high and .02 would be low. Carbon residue is usually given on SAE 30 viscosity oils or heavier oils. The lighter ones do not have enough to count.

NEUTRALIZATION NUMBER

Neutralization number of an oil should be below .05 if the oil has not been treated with one of the various additives, in which case it might go as high as .08 or higher. The neutralization number shows the acid content. The neutralization number is expressed as the weight in milligrams of potassium hydroxide required to neutralize one gram of oil. A large portion of oils undergo a treatment with mineral acid and caustic alkali in the course of refining and if these operations are not conducted properly, one or the other of these chemicals may remain in the oil, and so give a fictitious neutralization number.

OXIDATION STABILITY

There are many oxidation stability tests and, therefore, many specifications. One method is to operate an engine for a given number of hours with the oil at a stipulated temperature and then measure the thickness of the varnish on the piston. Another is to place a bearing shell in a glass container, spray oil heated to a given temperature on it for a set period and weigh the bearing shell before and after. However, no one oxidation stability test has been adopted as a universal standard for the petroleum industry. Since oil technicians have been unable to agree upon the value of the tests as now made, fleet men will not be expected to place implicit faith in the oxidation specifications themselves.

This is a pity because oxidation stability is a serious matter. In many ways it is the most perplexing problem fleet men have in connection with lubrication. Given time the oil industry will doubtless develop an official test, and time and experience will show its relation to the stability of oil in service. When that happens, the oxidation stability specification will become one of the most important oil specifications.

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FRONT-PAGE SAFETY

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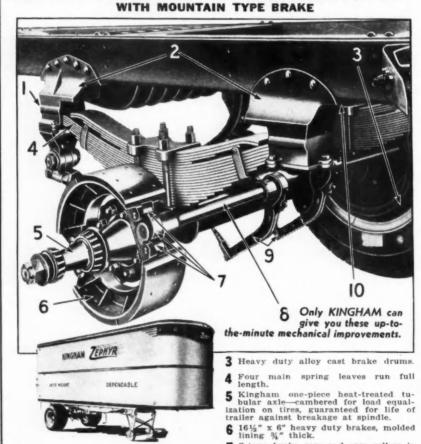
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drivers, new and old. After observing a man, they enter their remarks about his manner of driving on a "Driver's Observation Report" which is filed with other records pertaining to that particular driver. If the report is unfavorable, the driver is haled before the News' court of safety on the theory that careless driving is as serious as an actual accident.

The court of safety is the hub of the safety control program. It is conducted regularly once a month, at which time all accident cases and reckless driving charges are heard. A foreman and two safe drivers act as judges, and the jury consists of the entire driver personnel. The usual traffic board, equipped with toy cars, street intersections, etc., is used on which the accident is graphically described. The judges then analyze the accident and decide whether or not the driver is guilty. In arriving at a decision, the judges weigh the insurance company's report as well as the driver's own report of the acci-

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Besides the threat of probation, traffic code books are issued to acci-

dent drivers and traffic violators, who are then quizzed before the entire driver personnel on various traffic laws. Drivers unable to answer the quiz can be made to look and feel silly, and the ordeal is frequently enough to make a driver stay out of trouble.

Driver cooperation is a vital supporting element in our safety program. This cooperation is obtained in many tangible ways. The most effective assurance of driver cooperation is the policy of not charging drivers for accident damages and our willingness to give a driver every opportunity to make good on the job. Effective supporting elements are such things as bonuses, monthly safety pins, yearly safety awards, bulletins, etc. There is even the "dog house" which, like the traffic quiz, has the psychological effect of making a driver look and feel silly enough to want to stay out of it. In actuality, the "dog house" is a bulletin board on which is pinned a printed form containing the driver's name and his offense below a drawing of a dog house.

No smart fleet operator should underestimate the effectiveness of safety buttons. Drivers are as vain about them as the meticulous housewife is about her kitchen. These buttons are awarded monthly to safety drivers. Twelve such consecutive awards earns the driver a small gold pin as well as a special citation and a certificate. Drivers take great pride in possession of the safety buttons which they pin around their caps and the roofs of their trucks, and failure to win one is considered a great loss.

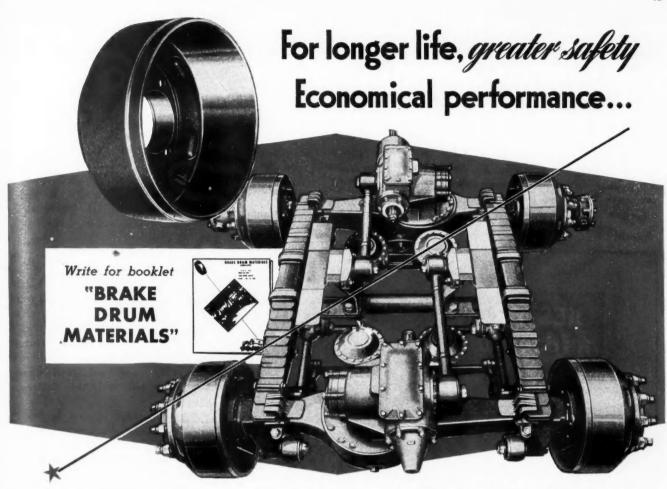
Other safety aids are printed slogans placed in each truck, and the house organ called "News Pix," which features the activities of the safety drivers. As an added measure for safety, an electric sign in the newspaper delivery room, used when the weather is bad, flashes "Danger—Drive Slowly." Inasmuch as Newsdrivers are allowed to take an hour longer on their routes when weather is bad, and receive overtime for it, a man cannot give the excuse that he was working under pressure of time if he should have an accident.

Without doubt, this rigid safety program is the reason for the News' achievement in reducing accidents from a high of 48 per month 6 years ago, to the low average of 15 per month today. It is also the answer to the reduction in insurance costs of 50 per cent, despite the increase in heavier truck equipment. The safety record is also significant when it is considered that each driver handles up to 60,000 papers daily and that 95 per cent of the delivery work is done at night.

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(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 74) inseparable, the News fleet is subject to a rigid, orderly and simple maintenance program that has proved efficient and extremely satisfactory. When considering our maintenance program, it should be recognized that the management is interested in one objective: to get out the News as quickly and safely as possible. To that end, no efforts are spared and no short-cut maintenance methods are practiced that might jeopardize this objective.

Of primary importance is the fact that News trucks are traded in after they have been in service for three years. Thus, every year, we exchange one-third of our trucks for new ones, reducing liability to accident. Truck runs are staggered according to mileage; that is, new trucks are put on long runs in the outlying New York areas. As their mileage piles up, their runs get shorter, until a truck is placed in localized service. This does not mean that short-run trucks go about wheezing for fuel. On the con-

trary, they are conditioned to perform the heaviest work on the most difficult runs at all times. It is simply our method of handling a truck "on the way out."

The fact that we use nothing but one make of truck and, consequently, standardize on repair procedure and parts replacement, is a further aid to maintenance efficiency.

Our servicing procedure, like the safety program itself, is routine but effective. Every truck is checked by a mechanic for signals, lights, wipers. etc., as it leaves the garage. When a truck returns after a day's run, it is driven directly onto the brake machine and its brakes are checked and adjusted by the mechanic. The driver then punches out, and makes a record on the back of his time card, of any necessary repairs or adjustments. All "funny" noises are noted, as are the more obvious conditions. Following the brake check, each truck is gassed and serviced and the battery is checked.

Of particular interest is the fact that trucks do not carry tools. Drivers are specifically instructed not to make repairs, and in the event of any failure, the garage is called. Any one of three "repair shops on wheels" responds to the call to make minor repairs, fix flats, etc., on the spot. In major break downs, the truck is towed to the garage.

The remaining servicing procedure includes greasing every 1000 miles, carburetors and generators are overhauled every six months, oil changes are made every 4000 miles on trucks and 2000 on inspectors' cars. Trucks are washed regularly three times weekly.

One of the key trouble shooters in the maintenance set up is the tire man who does a continuous job of tire maintenance. It is his job to check tires daily for air pressure, remove imbedded materials, etc. New tires, purchased in lots of 100 at a time from various leading manufacturers, are put on the long-run trucks. All tires are recapped, whenever feasible, before the original tread is bare and the recapped tire is transferred to the short-run trucks.

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Both garages are equipped to spot repair work. However, painting, body work and welding are concentrated in the Brooklyn garage, while major repairs on rear ends, transmissions, etc., are done in the Manhattan garage. No major engine overhauling is done. By the time an engine needs to be pulled down, it is removed from the chassis and sent back to the factory while a factory rebuilt job is installed in its place.

An itemization of the News fleet

shows that it consists of 109 heavy trucks over 5 tons; 30 trucks of $3\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 tons; 8 trucks of $1\frac{1}{2}$ tons; 27 passenger cars and 3 wreckers. All trucks have standard equipment with the exception of the long-run trucks which have such special equipment as fog lights, heaters and 35-gallon gas tanks. Special equipment on every truck consists of booster brakes in addition to the standard hydraulic braking system. The final touch in mechanical safety is the addition of a buzzer in the rear of every vehicle

that sounds off automatically when the truck is put into reverse gear. Thus the *News* practices both foresight and hindsight with a low accident record and enviable efficiency as the result.

DIAMOND T

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the larger models, with a 10 in. channel section, but chassis weight is kept down in the three shortest wheelbases by using only ½ in. stock. In the longer wheelbases where frame stresses run higher the material is the usual 5/16 in. in thickness and frames are of heat-treated alloy steel.

Hydraulic brakes with the J10 booster are standard with 16½ in. x 2½ in. front drums and 17½ in. x 4 in. rear drums of cast alloy iron. Westinghouse air brakes are available at extra cost.

The clutch is the 13 in. single plate and the Clark 270v 5-speed transmission is standard, with the Model 270v0 over-drive available as optional equipment.

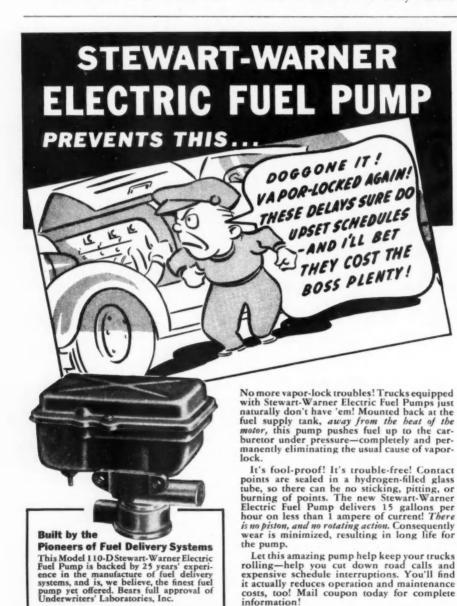
The standard rear axle is the Timken bevel 58300. The two-speed A5-18000 and the dual reduction 72300 are available. Standard tires are 8.25-20 in., with duals rear, on spoke wheels. Larger tires can be supplied to 9.75-20 in. and Budd disc wheels are also available.

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QUIZ ANSWERS

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- 1. b. Olive Green.
- 2. a. Henry Ford.
- 3. d. Seventeen.
- 4. a. It made practical the submarine.
- 5. c. Six horses.
- 6. b. Aberdeen, Md.
- b. Vice versa. Mechanized troops combat from vehicle. Motorized troops are merely transported by vehicle.
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BOSCH PUMPS

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raised. After adjusting tappets, always check to see that there is clearance between the plunger top and the delivery valve when the plunger is at its highest point.

17. Turn the crank handle slowly in the direction of rotation and note when the fuel flow starts. The fuel flow must stop for the same number of degrees on this pump unit as on the first one (within ½ of 1 deg.).

18. If the fuel flow stops at 60 deg, from the stop of the fuel flow of the first cylinder in the case of a six cylinder unit (or 90 deg, on a four cylinder unit) but does not remain shut off for the same number of degrees it will be necessary to loosen the segment clamping screw and adjust by turning the control sleeve. Turn to the left for a longer period and to the right for a shorter one with left hand helix plunger and opposite with right hand helix plungers. In order to make the ad-

justment it will be necessary to remove one control rod clamp and move the control rod to the stop position. When adjustment is completed make sure control rod is returned to its original middle position. When the pump is assembled at the factory there are mating calibration marks on the gear segment and the control sleeve. It may be necessary to change this relationship when reconditioning the pump.

19. Replace the delivery valve in No. 2 and proceed to No. 3 by removing the delivery valve and going through the same routine with No. 3 that has been just completed on No. 2. When all pump units have been completed each port closing (fuel stops flowing) will occur 60 deg. from the next port closing on a six cylinder unit and 90 deg. on a four cylinder unit and each port opening (fuel starts flowing) will occur at similar number of degrees from the next port opening, giving same period of injection for each cylinder.

This method of calibration is largely for emergency purposes when equipment is not available.

For accurate work when full equipment is available the pump is placed on a bench equipped with either a motor driven apparatus for turning the pump or hand driven equipment. A fuel supply is necessary and tubing and nozzles for connecting to each pump unit. These nozzles drain into graduates or calibrated tubes and the test equipment is equipped with a by-pass so that the injected fuel will flow into the drain pan until ready for the test.

To test by the discharge method. 20. Set pump up for testing and connect tubing leading to nozzles. Set by-pass for draining into over-flow and bleed pump.

21. Turn crank until a speed of about 100 r.p.m. is reached and then set by-pass to drain fuel into the graduates. Keep turning crank at same speed until graduates are nearly full. Graduates should contain within 4 to 5 per cent of the same amount of fuel. If they do not, adjustment of the gear sector to the control body must be made until all graduates contain the same amount of fuel, making a fresh start after each adjustment.

22. This test should be made with the control rod in several different positions.



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SEALED BEAMS

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feel and we know they give better light than the older models."

Only one operator raised the question of what drivers thought when approaching sealed beam lights on other cars. He commented: "Some criticism from drivers when meeting other cars so equipped who do not dim as they should. However, this is a human element over which we have

no control except in our own drivers."

It appears still a little early to solve the question of the sealed beam's life span as most of the operators are reserving judgment on this feature until they have had more time. But here again the opinions are optimistic. Said one man: "Replacements so far have been for damaged lamps only. We have had several vehicles equipped with sealed beam lights in service for over a year with no record of any lamps burning out. Just

how long the lamps will last is not known to us as yet, but this indicates that they are capable of much longer life than the ordinary bulb."

Said another: "We have approximately 50 units using sealed beam lights at present time with no replacements needed." Another commented: "We find that sealed beam headlights have a longer life than miniature bulbs." Although many reserved comments, several agreed that the new lamp lasted longer, and none held a contrary view.

The vital factor of maintenance cost again showed lack of supporting evidence owing to the double factor of the difficulty of obtaining segregated figures for headlight maintenance and of the short time period. Trend of the thinking, however, is indicated by these comments: "No increase." "To date they have not cost any more than the miniature bulbs. It stands to reason the cost will eventually be less." "We believe they will be more economical than the old type." "The reports indicate that the sealed beams are longer lived which reduces maintenance costs."

A fleetman from Virginia enters the only dissenting opinion in the cost category and he qualifies it with these illuminating remarks: "There has been a slight increase in cost due to the fact that we have had some breakage from flying gravel. With the old type light we simply replaced the lens. Now we must replace the whole unit. There are many gravel and macadam roads in our territory. It is also necessary to carry a spare unit in order to comply with the state law, although I think that at least 90 per cent of our drivers would not know how to go about replacing a sealed beam unit. There is also the chance that the spare unit may be broken before it is used. We try to avoid this by carrying the spare in a small metal box with spare fuses."

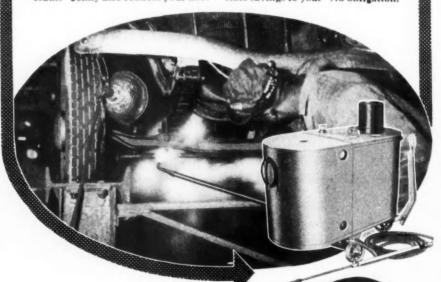
A comment on the more accurate interpretation of maintenance cost—as it refers to actual upkeep of the unit—comes from a main whose location makes it mean the most. Says he: "Maintenance costs are considerably reduced by the use of sealed beam lamps. This reduction is in the elimination of cleaning and polishing reflectors in monthly and semi-annual inspections. The sealed beam type light is especially advantageous

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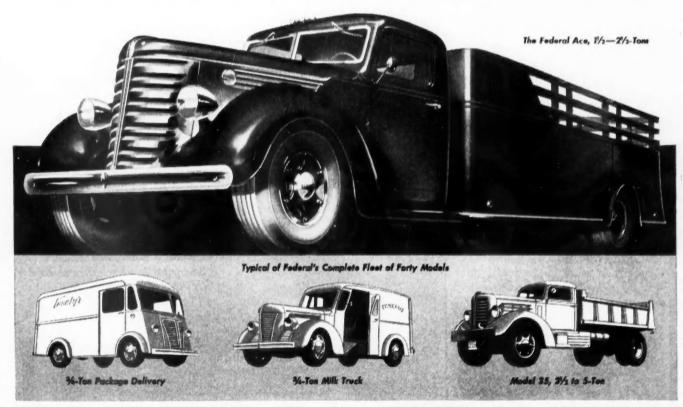
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(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 82) in this respect in the Pittsburgh district since the heavy sooty atmosphere tends to coat ordinary reflectors in a short time."

Finally we made a direct attempt to ferret out any chronic ills, any conceivable shady men in the fuel pile. "Have you encountered any difficulty with sealed beam headlights," we asked, "and if so, what method have you developed for overcoming it?"

But again came back the overwhelming answers: "Have not encountered any difficulty." "No trouble." "No unusual difficulties have been encountered." "None." Again the only replies that did not join in the general optimism were from the few operators who begged to defer comment on the grounds that their experience was still incomplete.

From the fleetman's standpoint it looks as though the industry had backed the right horse. Barring attack from other quarters, it would appear that the new lights are here to stay, at least till something still better comes along.

TIRE MEN TRIM TRUCK SIZES

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plies more than the standard low-pressure tire of similar size, and in most cases the actual section is larger, although there are a few where the section is smaller to the extent of .15 in.

The new tires that replace the highpressure line carry a recommended pressure almost as high as that of the straight high-pressure tires. They are dual-marked for the benefit of those who hate to see the established order of things change and to take care of some screwy legislation in places where governing bodies have refereed the high pressure-low pressure game to the extent that there is a material difference in license fees between high and low pressure types even though they may be used for identical purposes.

If we stick to tires that fit a 20-in. rim for our example we come up with a chart like Table "B" (Page 21), which shows what we have had in the way of sizes and types and what we are to get from now on.

Looking down the size columns of the tires we are to get, it becomes apparent that the new program is consistent if nothing else, and after all. that is the main purpose of the change. The size increments up to 7.50 in. tires are in half inches. From the 7.50 to the 9.00 in. tire the gaps are $\frac{3}{4}$ in. and then sizes are stepped up 1 in. at a time. This makes sense to the operator who has been sorely perplexed by the confusion of tire

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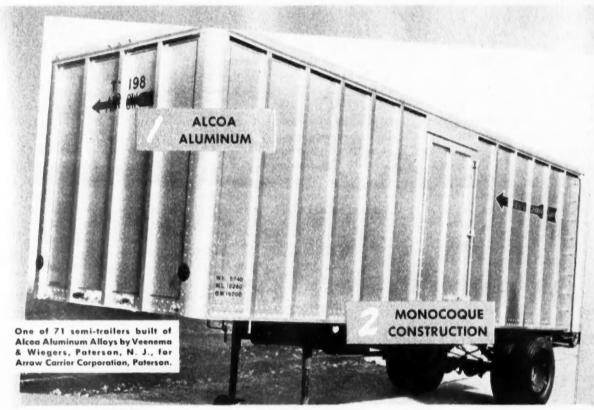
A new Schlitz beer, recently announced, calls for new delivery units and five Diamond T's like this were elected. That's really a stake body with solid top, steel panels in two of the side sections and double doors across the rear



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Just to show you how far out of line things got by drifting before the boys came to grips with the new program and mastered it, we can take the case of the 32 x 6 and the 7.00-20 tires, and when you take them you take about one-third of all the truck tire business. The 32 x 6 was in existence and doing admirably when the 7.00-20 8-ply tire came along. Operators liked the 7.00-20 tire so much when they found what kind of a job it would do that they did a little concentrating.

The result of this brown study was a simple case of outguessing the tire industry. The operators demanded a 10-ply 7.00-20 tire. The purpose behind this demand was to increase the inflation pressure of the 7.00-20 lowpressure tire and make it do the work of a 32 x 6 high-pressure tire, and regardless of recommendations that is what it did. Here were two tires which represented nearly one-third of all truck tires doing an identical job.

In the long run the new tire program should save the fleet operator money. First, the tire manufacturers can fill truck requirements with less factory equipment and increase production on the fewer types. Second, factory inventory, distributor inventory and, very likely, fleet operator inventory will be reduced.

The above simplification program is the first step in a general program. The next step is now under consideration and if adopted, will result in some highly important changes both in the number of truck tires that will be offered and in the gradation of load capacities. The tire makers, represented by a committee of the Tire & Rim Association, and the truck industry, represented by a sub-committee of the S.A.E. Truck Rating Committee, have the future program now under discussion. When the proposals now under discussion crystallize into definite decisions COM-MERCIAL CAR JOURNAL will convey the news to fleet operators.

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1940 Bear Catalog

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Hewitt rubber products for the oil marketing industry are fully described in a new booklet by Hewitt Rubber Corp. that probes into the details of hose types that range from the familiar gas pump and tank wagon hoses up to the big ship unloaders. Worthwhile for oil distributors with a bonus for everybody in the form of air vacuum and water hose descriptions. Check "H" on the post card.

K-D Tool Catalog

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Baker (Mechanical) Refrigeration

On the subject of refrigeration, better take a look at a new booklet, "Desert Sun Eclipsed," by Baker Ice Machine Co., Inc., Omaha, Neb. Only eight pages, but it gives basic details of the Baker system which includes a power unit with aircooled 4-cylinder gasoline engine and separate cooling unit with blower. Check "K" on the post card.

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M—is for man power—the human equation we depend upon them on every occasion.

E —is for effort—we mean hours of toil to give us our goods—our food without spoil.

R—is the rugged equipment in use, thru hours of pounding—it must stand abuse.

is for insight, intuition and nerve they watch us to keep from crowding a curve.

C—is for care in rain, fog, or sleet they're always prepared—they're swell guys to meet.

A—is for accident—a thing we avoid, they happen quite easily when we are annoyed.

N-is for nite—the time that trucks drive the "man in the cab" drives to keep you alive.

S —is for Safety in letters quite tall, if courtesy reigns—happy rides for us all.

A—is for accident—it can happen again but care and good outfits will soon end its reign.

F—is for folly—a moment to save, we may win a dash—or maybe a grave.

E —is the ease a safe driver feels,
he holds the best hand—no matter who deals.

T—is the time we so carelessly spend, let's play safe in driving—why hasten the end?

The splay sale in uriving—why hasten the end:

are the years—they're ours to enjoy,

Play safe as you drive—you're no longer a boy.

T —is our temper—a "bad boy" at best, the safe driver rolls along with the rest.

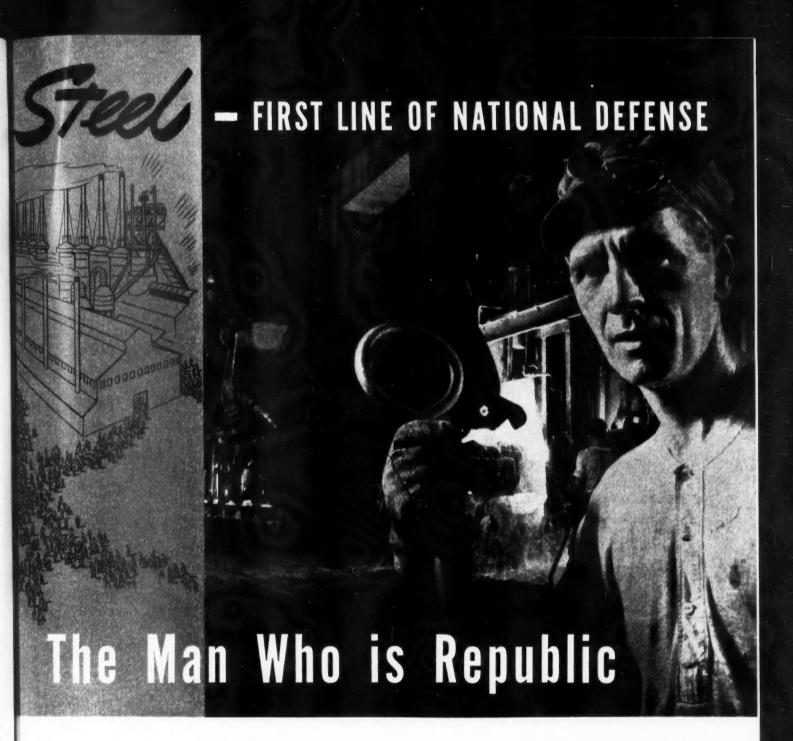
A—is that accident—a careful man's bane, We took a fool chance—a second to gain.

N-is the nut we all hate to meet, he jumps all the lights—abhors a "stop" street.

K—is the "can," the "jug," or the "jail," but think about this—a morgue has no "bail."

S—still is safety, good sense, and good will, Remember if hurt—you must pay the bill.





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safety award. If they had been, we would have had many more on the honor roll.

Without resorting to either of the most common weapons in a safety campaign-I refer to a regularly posted bonus for careful driving on the one hand and the threat of arbitrary expulsion on the other-our safety program is none the less complete, embracing many individual tactics commonly used by other fleets but welded here into what we believe is an unusually complete whole. Fast and thorough accident investigation, personalized driver supervision and a careful maintenance program that keeps equipment in excellent condition form the backbone of our plan.

To begin with, every Trommer driver makes out a report slip every day. This includes a statement of the time he left, the route covered, the deliveries made, the time he returned, and any other items pertaining to the fulfillment of his assigned task. In addition, there is a list of possible mechanical defects which may have shown up during the day's run. These must be checked item by item by the driver, and if defects are reported, rechecked item by item by the shop superintendent, before the truck is allowed to leave the shop again. This mechanical check is further supplemented by a rigorous program of preventive maintenance to be discussed later.

There is one final question on the driver report. It asks: "DID YOU HAVE AN ACCIDENT TODAY?" If the driver has had an accident and fails to report it—there is more than just lassitude or wilful neglect. He must also have told a point-blank lie, and most men won't do that, particularly in the face of almost certain detection later on.

Thus we are virtually assured of the first step in accident investigation—a prompt and accurate report. For as soon as the driver answers "yes" to the accident question, he must immediately fill out a detailed accident report. He knows that he cannot again take out a Trommer

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The written report, replete with diagrams and witnesses' names is filed in triplicate, one with the insurance company, one in our company accident file, and one in the drivers' file which contains all information about each driver that the company has on record.

Once each month, at each brewery or distributing point, we hold a "kangaroo" court for all drivers that have been involved in an accident that month. In the panel are our two labor stewards, one representing the bottle drivers, the other the keg drivers; an inspector from the insurance company and myself.

Here the driver is given every opportunity to discuss the circumstance of his accident. Not satisfied with the usual intersection diagrams furnished by insurance companies, we have a specially large one, the size of a whole desk top, on which is pictured every conceivable type of road—condition, including—forks.

curves and intersections of various types, and even those hard-to-describe jogs where one road ends and another begins perhaps 50 or 100 feet to one side. On this map the driver indicates the exact circumstances of the accident.

The court decides not only the responsibility of the driver, but also the type of accident involved. We have a form, reproduced with this article, entitled "Automobile Accidents—types and causes." Here are listed 14 possible types of accidents and 16 different causes including two for which the maintenance department is held responsible and one which puts all the blame on the "other driver." All the rest define various ways in which our own drivers contributed to the accident.

A master file card is then filled in with the driver's name, the claim number, if any, and the proper code numbers checked from the list of types and causes which show the exact circumstances of the accident. A column on this card is provided for checking accidents as avoidable or unavoidable (for quick reference) and a final column for remarks. From these cards it is a relatively easy matter to determine the most frequent types of accidents over any given period and to increase our guard against them by means of special bulletins and through individual and group contacts with the drivers.

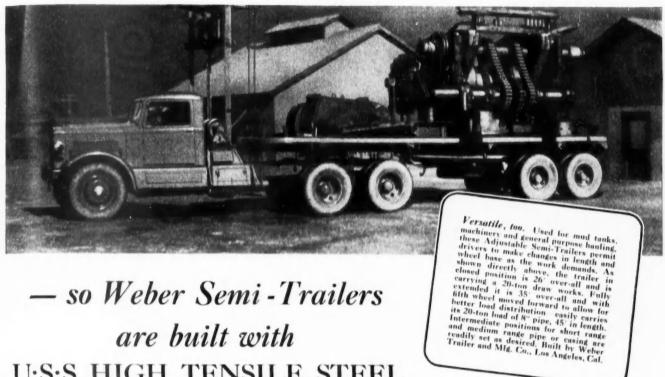
There is also a chart in each garage which lists the names of all drivers working out of that branch followed by blank spaces for each month of the year. Each time an avoidable accident occurs, a red bar is placed opposite the driver involved, in the appropriate monthly square. A green bar indicates an accident in which our driver was in no way at fault. Thus a quick glance quickly shows which drivers have been involved in accidents of any nature.

As stated above, we have no fixed rule with regard to the total number of accidents in which a driver may be involved before discharge. In its place, we have attempted to maintain an intimate working knowledge of the conditions under which each driver operates, so that if and when an accident occurs, we will be in a position to take into consideration both the circumstances under which

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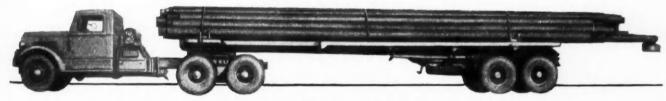
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it occurred and also in many cases the personal equation of the driver himself, especially with regard to his willingness to cooperate and his ability in other lines, particularly salesmanship.

The writer likes nothing better than an occasional trick behind the wheel of even our largest over the road units, and I have made it a part of my work to make at least one trip a year on every regular route we cover. In so doing I have come to know routes and drivers alike and to know the relative hazards of taking a 60,000-lb. gross tractor trailer unit through an alley in Brooklyn, and of highballing a 3-ton single-unit truck through northern Jersey. During the course of a single year one truck may be involved in a series of inconsequential traffic accidents and yet its driver might still be regarded as considerably more responsible than one who had had a single non-excusable accident out on the highway. That's

why we feel strongly that either a bonus or penalty system set up on an arbitrary basis of total number of accidents would, in our case, work a grave injustice to our drivers.

Our drivers know that their accident cases will be given every consideration possible, but they also know that if the score does go out of bounds, there's trouble in the wind. Fortunately, that trouble sel-

dom happens.

Once each quarter, at each brewery and at a centralized point for the distribution stations, we hold safety meetings which nearly all Trommer drivers attend. These are nearly always featured by some outside speaker, usually with movies or slide films, capable of interesting and holding the drivers' attention. The meetings are nearly always attended by one or two company executives. Beer and buffet lunch are the order of the evening. Drivers consider it good business to attend, and they turn out accordingly.

Finally, once a year comes the annual banquet and theater party to which all drivers who complete the vear without accident are invited. The caliber of entertainment makes it well worthwhile, and drivers look

forward to being present.

But no matter who drives the trucks there is no excuse for lack of maintenance. That's why we push our shop programs to the limit in detecting and correcting possible trouble before it occurs, as well as instant correct at the slightest indication that trouble may be developing. Each of the two main breweries have adequate garaging facilities for the units stationed there including fully equipped shops where all mechanical repairs are made. The Brooklyn shop is manned by six mechanics, one car washer and a superintendent. The Orange shop has three mechanics, three combina-

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Paul Whiteman, famous band leader, says the two Ford trucks help ease daily chores on his new "Walking Horse Farm" in New Jersey



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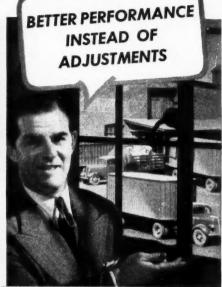
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FIBRE-GLASS SHEETS, POROUS ENOUGH TO POUR WATER THROUGH—This scientific miracle allows free flowing of electrolyte, yet it is awoven so closely it holds the vital, power-producing material securely in the plates.

And here's how sheets of Fibre-Glass hold "Activite," the amazing power-producing material, in the plates, where it continues to deliver full power long after other batteries wear out.

Here's how ordi-nary batteries usu-ally wear out—the positive plates shed their power-producing materi-al, growing weaker and weaker until power fails entirely.

By standard S. A. E. test, Auto-Lite Batteries—made with "Activite" and Fibre-Glass—outlast ordinary batteries without these features two to one. Our Auto-Lite Batteries are outlasting any we have ever used," writes W. E. Larkin of Woodside, N.Y. "We're saving money and getting better service."

Coast-to-coast, fleet operators are reporting truly amazing performance from Auto-Lite Bat-teries made with "Activite" and Fibre-Glass. Fibre-Glass, strange porous sheets of glass, holds the vital, power-producing material in place in the plates-prevents

"shedding"-the major cause of battery failure. Equally revolutionary is "Activthe new sensational powerproducing material. Auto-Lite Batteries made with Fibre-Glass and "Activite" actually grow stronger with use.

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Trucks at the branch points except New Haven (where repairs are farmed out) are washed, lubricated. tuned and adjusted by the full-time mechanic at each garage. But when it comes time for major repairs, these trucks are routed to one or the other of the two main garages where a prearranged schedule permits prompt

Wherever the trucks are located. brake performance is checked at a 2000-mile inspection period. Brakes also get attention immediately whenever the driver's report indicates poor performance. If adjustment fails to remedy the trouble a reline follows quickly, varying service conditions making any arbitrary mileage period between relines impractical. Our engines are tuned every 2000 miles and tested at that time for the need of further engine work. If needed, the truck is routed to one of the two

repair shops at the earliest available time, which, of course, may be delayed in peak seasons. We make every effort to get major overhauls completed during the slack winter. season when many of the trucks are not used.

Batteries are checked weekly, tires semi-weekly. Front ends are checked at frequent intervals or whenever peculiarities are reported by the drivers. Our 22 trailers, operating mostly out of the Orange brewery on a 6-day over the road schedule between there and the branch distributing points, are completely checked each Saturday afternoon after the week's fun is completed.

As a check on driver performance on the road, we rely on two main sources of information-a recorder in every cab and regular reports from the New York Brewers Board of Trade and the New Jersey Brewers Association which together operate a fleet of about 25 cars whose drivers are charged with the duty of seeing to it that beer deliveries are in order. Our drivers are familiar with the existence, operation and purposes of both these checks. They know that their driving records are subject to review from both sources and handle their trucks accordingly. They know also the attitude of both management and organized labor with regard to the use of hard liquors. A driver who is caught intoxicated while on duty is subject to the one dismal provision for which there is no redress. Yet during the past year and a half, we have had to resort to this practice on only two occasions.

Many of our trucks have large areas of pure white surface. Others are painted a light yellow hue. All are kept immaculately clean, which helps not only their advertising appeal, but also develops an intangible esprit de corps which goes a long way in keeping Trommer drivers on their toes and out of traffic courts.



Moran's new Budd-designed Fruehauf trailer uses Republic Enduro stainless steel to keep down gross weight; increase payload



One Stop Tells All

sponding brakes during an actual stop . . . registered side by side for direct comparison . . indicate equaliza-tion as well as brake energy in pounds. As wheels pass over center tread plates, side drag of tires is indicated in feet per mile. With perfect alignment, indicator registers zero (no side drag).

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PUT a Weaver Brake Tester in your driveway where drivers will get the habit of stopping as they go in or out. They need not leave their seats . . . a glance at the tower tells the whole story, shows up unsafe conditions before they have time to cause an accident.

Your service men, too, will use the same Tester to save time in locating exact cause of trouble, and to make final adjustments that assure safest operation.

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Delco heavy-duty batteries are built in a complete range of sizes to meet all truck and bus requirements. Also available are Delco Diesel-type batteries to meet the special service requirements of Diesel-powered units. To assure better performance and greater dependability for your operations, insist on Delco batteries for standard and replacement equipment.

GET THE FACTS

All Delco battery distributors are prepared to furnish you with the latest technical information on Delco heavy-duty batteries. They will also arrange to have specially-trained experts study and analyze your particular electrical requirements.



Delco truck and bus batteries are sold through United Motors Service branches and distributors located in all parts of the country. This wide availability is an important factor to consider when you select your equipment.

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Car-Washer Hose

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1 Steering post in-stallation.

2 Attached to cen-ter post of divid-ed windshield.

A newly designed car-washer hose featuring a synthetic rubber cover has been placed on the market by the Mechanical Goods Division of the United States Rubber Co., Akron, Ohio. Tradenamed U. S. Peerless, the new product uses a cover of oil and grease resistant synthetic rubber, which is claimed to lengthen the life of the hose materially. The new hose is made in 1/2 in. and 3/4 in. sizes with approximately 1 1/32 and 1 9/32 O.D. respectively. Each size has a working pressure

Cleaner Retains Strength

Bendix Cleaner for metal parts, a special liquid made by the Bendix Products Division, South Bend, Ind., has the unusual characteristic of retaining its original cleaning strength for an indefinite period, according to the manufacturer. It is said that the cleaner works by physical action, rather than chemical; it lifts the solid deposits from metal surfaces after which they settle to the bottom of the container as solids and sludge while the cleaner itself remains clear and of undiminished strength.

New Permatex Cement

Permatex Glass Sealer, a transparent cement claimed to be unaffected by constant exposure to extreme heat and cold is the latest development to come from the Permatex Co., Inc., Sheepshead Bay, N. Y. In use, the colorless liquid immediately sets, drying quicky into a pliable water. proof film suitable for sealing glass, rubber. metal and other materials.

Long-life Flashlight Battery

A rechargeable flashlight battery similar in principle to the vehicle storage battery has been announced by the Ideal Commutator Dresser Co., 3051 Park Ave., Syca-



more, Ill. Designed to fit all popular twocell, 11/4 in. size D flashlight cases, the battery, in one discharge, is equal to a pair of ordinary dry cells. With the case made of transparent Lucite, the unit is spill-proof and is rugged enough to withstand rough handling. A small charger consisting of transformer and rectifier plates makes it easy to keep the battery always fully charged, by merely plugging into a convenient 110 volt, 60 cycle wall socket.

Quick Reading Freeze Tester

A new anti-freeze tester. designed to test over 100 anti-freeze solutions and featuring correction scales lithographed on a metal square on the tester, has been placed on the market by the Imperial Brass Mfg. Co., 1200 W. Harrison St., Chicago, Ill. Known as the Imperial No. 535-T "Time-Saver" Freeze-tester, the unit is acompanied by a metal chart on which is given information as to the methods of testing the different solutions and also how much anti-freeze must be added to give pre-determined protection. Net price is \$3.45.

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motor vehicle which is equipped with a windshield, when operating under conditions such that ice or frost would be likely to collect on windshield, shall be equipped with a device or other means for preventing or removing such ice or frost.

This rule now applies to all private trucks engaged in interstate commerce, as well as to all common carriers and contract carriers.

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Two-blade airplane principle operation moves large volume of air and provides greatest efficiency, economy and visibility . . . there is no overlapping of blades. Keeps windshield and cab windows free of frost and steam . . . melts ice and snow on outside by blowing heated air (from truck heater or defroster) against glass. New, improved attaching bracket permits fourdirectional mounting at any point where fan is attached . . . on windshield center post moulding, steering column, cowl or header-board, Exceptionally efficient, specially wound 2-speed motor . . . ruggedly made, handsomely finished. No. 496 FULTON FAN, 6-volt. List Price... No. 496 FULTON FAN, 12-volt. List Price...

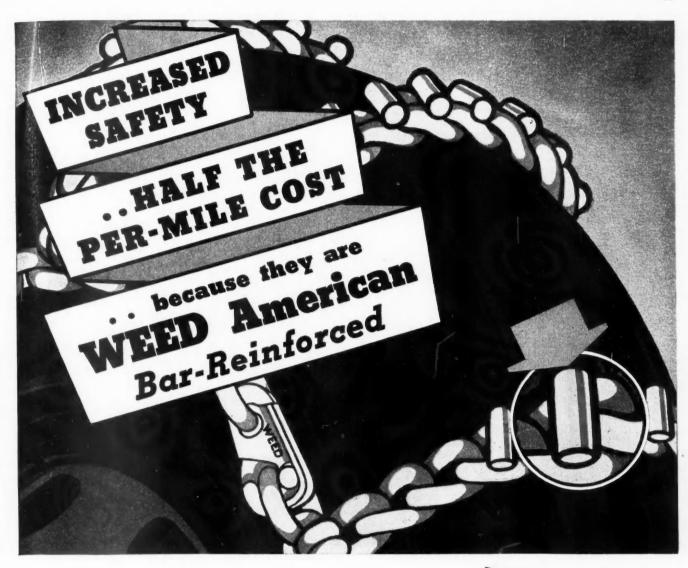
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Double-welded Bar-Reinforcements on the cross chains provide twice the metal to wear through. They effectively stop both forward and side skid. Weedalloy, the metal used in WEED Americans, is unusually tough and wear-resisting, especially developed for tire chain use. Side chains are welded and case-hardened—another assurance of long mileage.

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New Retread Stock

Development of a new type of "Camelback"—rubber stock used in the retreading process—which is said to provide greater mileage and increased adhesion, has been announced by the B. F. Goodrich Co., Akron, Ohio. Other advantages claimed for the new compound are increased resistance to heat and less chance of overcuring in the retreading or recapping operations. A second improvement is claimed in the use of varnished cambric

cloth, rather than holland fabric, which is said to prevent the Camelback from adhering together in the uncured state.

Car-top Sign Board

A new car top sign carrier which provides a vertical 8 x 10 in, sign board on top of any metal top car or truck is announced by Wesbar Stamping Corp., West Bend, Wis. It mounts without permanent fastenings and without drilling holes. Constructed of light channel steel, the carrier is secured to the top by six vacuum cups and anchored to drip rail by four steel hooks. The carrier with 8 x 60 in. varnished, weatherproofed plywood boards list at \$6 per set: without the board, \$5.

Do-Ray Fog Fighters

A Glascal Beam foglight and a separate foglight extension bracket are the latest developments by the Do-Ray Lamp Co., 1458 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago. Using a new all-glass unit with white or amber lens, the light has a heavy chrome-plated housing on a malleable iron bracket. (Also

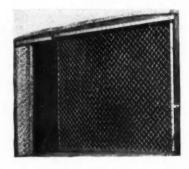


available in black.) A plastic knobbed rotary switch and 10 ft. of silver colored wire are supplied.

The extension bracket, designed to raise the foglight above the high grille guards common on many vehicles, is constructed of malleable cast iron with an 8-in. bolt. It can be used with any lamp having a ½-in. diameter mounting bolt.

Zehr Collapsible Wire Gate

A Chain Link Collapsible Gate, designed for installation in place of rear doors on closed truck bodies, is announced by Zehr Products Co., E. Norris St. and Aramingo Ave., Phila., Pa. The new gate is made



of No. 6 galvanized wire, with a mesh of 2 x 2 in. It is hung on roller bearing hangers in metal tracks and is opened by simply pushing to the side, thus eliminating the danger of swinging doors in traffic or damage while loading.

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Fruehaut's new Los Angeles trailer plant occupying about eight acres has a production capacity more than five times greater than the former plant. Operations are supervised by Vice-President R. S. Kirksey





THERE'S MORE

"Highballing" the highways, or making the city rounds—both types of runs are tough on cables. But whatever the condition of operation, you will find that the Packard line offers you a cable that is ignition exactly right for your particular requirements . . . a cable that will enable you to cut down maintenance costs on cable replacements.

Perhaps it will be Packard 440, the ignition cable with the inorganic sheath that resists heat and oil—or Packard 500, with the same construction plus lacquer. Many operators of large fleets have found that Packard 440 and Packard 500 eliminate as many as one out of three replacements, and often more. Perhaps it will be standard Packard braid-and-lacquer cable, Packard Chrome braid, Packard Fiberglas braid, Packard low-capacity steel core, or Packard Blue—all high-quality ignition cables built

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Standardize on Packard high-tension ignition cable, Packard low-tension ignition cable, Packard lighting wires and Packard battery cables. Consult your Packard jobber, and get more MPR—more Miles per Replacement—from your cable.

Packard will supply your service department with copies of the Certified Re-Wiring Manual, containing complete service instructions on making replacements and useful information on selecting proper gauge cable. Write Packard Electric Division, General Motors Corporation, Warren, Ohio.



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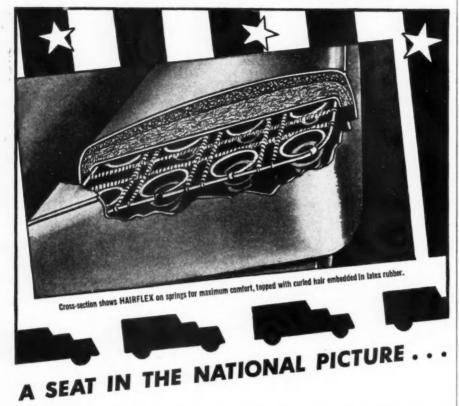
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An executive of the "Double L Laundry," Gary, Ind., happened on this one designed to speed up cautious pedestrians. Acceptance of the roller-shade sign has been so good, he has enjoyed a nice side-line business at \$2.65 a throw



Today great truck fleets are roaring across the country hauling the war industries' goods so vital to our national defense.

The fast, safe schedules that these fleets must maintain demand that their drivers be comfortable in order to be alert-in order to drive safely. These schedules demand that the fleets stay on the roads and in use. HAIRFLEX helps maintain these schedules.

HAIRFLEX is an upholstery cushion made of millions of curled hairs held in place by a strong bond of live latex rubber. That's why it provides the comfort in truck seats essential to eliminating driver fatigue-why it delivers the long usable life necessary to keep fleets out of the shops and rolling.

Whether yours is a public utility fleet of 15,000 trucks or a laundry fleet of 10 trucks, HAIRFLEX can help you to operate economically, safely, and comfortably. Remember to specify HAIRFLEX.

HAIRFLEX is standard in GMC trucks, optional in Ford trucks at extra cost.

Drivers Sit IN, Not On HAIRFLEX

Armour and Company Curled Hair Division

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Infra-Red Baking Lights

The advantage of infra-red baking for quick drying of repaint jobs is now available to every fleet shop through the use of new portable infra-red lights made by the Fostoria Pressed Steel Corp., Fostoria.



Ohio. Furnished on portable, fully-adjustable stands the lights may be had in banks of seven (illustrated) or singly for small touch-up work. More durable finishes, less spoilage, low investment, as well as much less time in the shop are among results for the equipment.

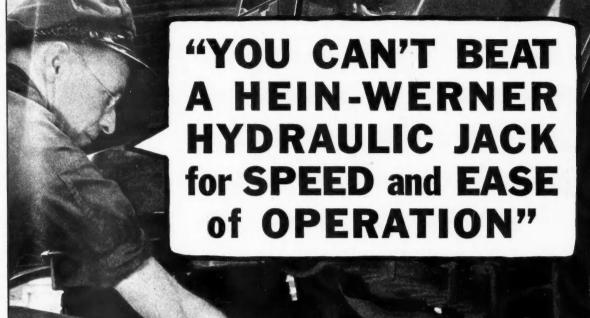
Neoprene Tubing & Fittings

A new line of neoprene flexible tubing and detachable fittings, especially adapted for making up flexible lines for oil filters and for making up flexible gas, oil, grease and vacuum lines, is offered by The Imperial Brass Mfg. Co., 1200 W. Harrison St., Chicago.



Advantages claimed for the new tubing and fittings include: Exceptional ease of assembly-simply cut tubing, slip the 3piece fitting on the tubing and screw up tight. Extreme twistability and flexibility -tubing has a neoprene lining with fabric covering interwoven with steel wire. High bursting strength-from 1200 to 2000 lbs. per sq. in. depending on size.

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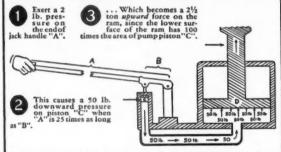


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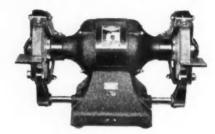
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Magnus Skin-Gard

Magnus Skin-Gard, which looks and feels like ordinary cold cream but which actually forms a protective film for mechanics' hands, is offered by Magnus Chemical Co., 202 South Ave., Garwood, N. J. The chemical is rubbed into the skin and forms an invisible coating good for many hours in the shop. A special waterproof form is also available for radiator and battery repairmen. A new booklet, available from the makers, gives full details.

New Thor Bench Grinders

Built for all-around service in grinding, buffing and wire wheel work, three new



Thor electric bench grinders are announced by the Independent Pneumatic

Tool Co., 600 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago. All three models—6-in. light-duty (B-66), 6-in. heavy-duty (B-6) and the 8-in. heavy-duty (B-7)—are provided with adjustable tool rests and are arranged so that safety glass eye shields can be attached. B-66 and B-6 are of the split-phase start, induction-run type, while the B-7 is of the capacitor-start, capictor-run type, with oil-filled condenser in base.

Check Valve for Vacuum Brakes

A new B-K check valve for use on vacuum power brakes has been announced by the Bendix Products Division, Bendix Aviation Corp., South Bend, Ind. The large area of the flexible diaphragm which is acted upon by atmospheric pressure to close the valve increases the actuating force several times and provides fast leak



proof closing of the valve. This power actuated principle is incorporated into the PV Truck and Tractor Check Valve and the PT Trailer Check Valve.

Carbon Dioxide Extinguisher

Illustrated is a 16-in.-high, trigger-oper ated carbon dioxide fire extinguisher which has recently been awarded an unusually



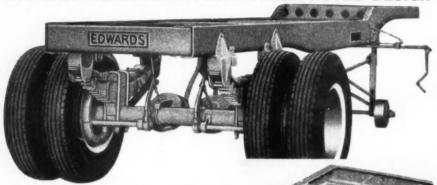
high rating by the Underwriters' Laboratories. Identified as Kidde-Lux, Model 2. it is manufactured by Walter Kidde & Co., Inc., 140 Cedar St., New York, and throws a blanket of gas and snow especially effective for fighting electrical and gasoline fires. A descriptive bulletin is available from the manufacturers.

Casco Offers Fog Light

A new fog and adverse weather light featuring the G. E. "All-Glass" Amber Lamp has been announced by the Casco Products Corp., Bridgeport, Conn. The lens is designed to provide a cut-off of the beam to the left as well as above, thus reducing the number of illuminated water particles through which the road is seen. Known as No. 205-F, the light with illuminated switch lists at \$5.75.

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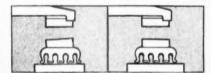
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Blinker Lights

A new blinker light system designed to reduce the number of accidents caused by speeding vehicles driving head on into parked cars is being manufactured by Leo S. Stern, 250 E. 43rd St., New York. The lights are placed on each side of the cab and by means of a magnetic flashing unit



they blink alternately and can be seen a half mile away. They may be easily turned from front to rear which allows them to face oncoming traffic at all times.

These lights are also being used by the utility companies to protect mechanics working in manholes in which case they are attached to a stand which has a portable storage battery in the base.

Manley Car Washer

A cabinet-type car washer featuring a high-pressure pump which delivers 4 gal. of water per min, at a constant pressure of



325 gal. lb. per sq. in. is announced by the Manley Mfg. Division, American Chain & Cable Co., Inc., York, Pa. The unit is equipped with a dial pressure gage in the front of the heavy metal cabinet.

Welder is Streamlined

A new self-contained, self-powered arc welder known as the Junior Gas Drive 'Streamliner" is now available from the Hobart Bros. Co., Troy, Ohio. Styled in the modern motif and with a capacity of 200 amp., the unit features a selfstarter, separate exciter, extra brush capacity and an unusually complete control panel, known as "Multi-Range." Power is provided by a gasoline engine of 132.7 cu. in. displacement which operates at 1500 r.p.m.

Regulator Rivet Tool

A combination rivet remover and inserter, designed primarily for operations necessitating the removal of Ford and Auto-Lite voltage regulator covers, is available from the Tool Equipment Co., 1040 W. Fort St., Detroit, Mich. By the use of this tool the need for the removal of the regulator to the bench is greatly minimized. Can also be used for other light riveting work.

Two-Stage Regulator

A new two-stage regulator for use with Sight Feed acetelyne generators has been



announced by The Sight Feed Generator Co., Richmond, Ind. The unit is attached at the output valve of the generator and eliminates the need for a line regulator. It can be used with any existing model.

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ever, there will be three safest truck drivers, each handling a different type of equipment.

If the purpose of the rodeo and choosing the world's safest truck driver is to gain favorable publicity for the industry by showing the importance the industry places on safety, the team idea seems to be less effective than the single champion. When you get away from the truck industry, a truck is a truck and the intricacies of single units, semi-trailers and trailers concern the public not at all. It is doubtful if newspaper editors will be interested in any three-ply accolade which they themselves do not understand, and while the man in the street can tell you all about Joe Louis, chances are he can not name the welterweight champion nor does he give a damn.

No doubt the fellows who win the awards will be fine fellows and excellent drivers, and they are entitled to all the credit they can get. But this year there seems to be a conscious effort to publicize them as being experts in maintenance and repairs, which they are not. This industry has some pretty good mechanics who are proud of their work and jealous of their reputations and by crowding the superman stuff the respect of a sizable section of our own industry can be lost. Why deliberately build up a reputation for these fellows they cannot possibly keep?

Mr. Budd, Take Note

The Congressional Committee on Interstate Trade Barriers and Unemployment recognizes the truck industry as a form of transportation even if Ralph Budd of the National Defense Advisory Commission does not. The committee's report recommends that federal highway aid be withdrawn from those states that pursue an "isolationist" policy toward highway transportation. The committee feels that the states placing unduly severe restrictions on trucks tend to "Balkanize" the states. The chair now recognizes the gentleman from Texas.

"Scooper-Dooper"

Next month COMMERCIAL CAR JOURNAL will present its annual Highway Truck Show-in-Print issue. New trucks and new equipment will make their bows in a national defense setting. Experts will point out what part the truck industry will play in national defense, what may be expected of you, and what you should expect of the nation.

Hear Ye

Know all men by these presents: the product of Willys-Overland, Inc., will henceforth be known as the Americar; that descriptive matter concerning the new Dodge truck arrived at this office too late for publication in this issue, and that aforesaid vehicles will be faithfully and accurately described in the next issue of this publicaton.

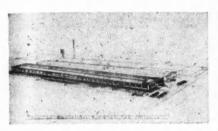
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a net profit for the year ending in June, 1940, of \$22,330 compared with a net loss for the previous year of \$122,330. Sales amounted to \$2,513,317. All officers and three directors were reelected at the annual meeting.

Late last month, FWD reported a backlog of unfilled orders totaling \$3,500,000 or approximately \$1,000,000 than all of last year's business. Two recent orders were for 51 trucks for the Pennsylvania Department of Highways and another 51 trucks for the Canadian air force for airport snow removal.

An order from the U. S. Quartermaster Corps for 200 chassis totaling more than \$300,000 was just announced by Reo Motors, Inc. The units will be of 2 to 3-ton nominal rating, will have 310 cu. in. engines, and will later be equipped with 3-yd. hydraulic dump bodies.



Diamond T's new \$175,000 Chicago warehouse will be used primarily in conjunction with the company's \$3,500,000 government order for six-wheel-drive heavy-duty trucks

SKF Industries Inc., Philadelphia, reports that its new plant No. 2 is in full swing increasing production facilities by 250,000 sq. ft. of floor space.

Butler Mfg. Co., specialists in steel tank construction for storage and truck installations, has added a new building to its Kanass City plant where an augmented engineering staff, additional offices and a new laboratory will be housed.



The Marmon-Herrington plant now comprises 16 acres of grounds. Although plant capacity was doubled within the past year, important new additions are again underway

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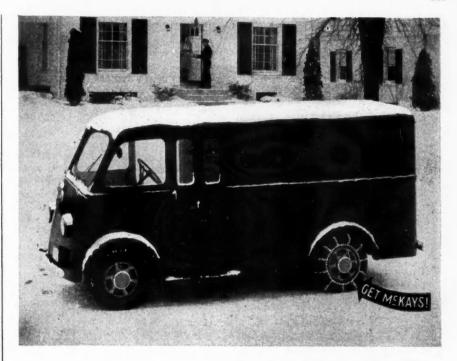
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Lion Oil Refining Co. (El Dorado, Ark.) has entered eastern markets for the first time through the appointment of General Lubricants, Inc., 514 57th St., New York City, as its eastern distributor. Lion Naturalube motor oils and greases are to be available in New England, New York, New Jersey and Eastern Pennsylvania.

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Safety Council Awards

Most divisions of the National Fleet Safety Contest sponsored by the National Safety Council have rounded up their winners for the period July 1, 1939, to June 31, 1940. Although results in a few divisions were as yet incomplete, the following fleets were among the first place winners in their categories and are listed together with their accident rate for the year in terms of accidents per 100,000 vehicle miles:

dents per 100,000 vehicle miles:

Pioneer Motor Service, Inc., Rock Islandill. (Rate—.00; City Messenger Co., Detroit, Mich. (Rate—.40); Southern California Freight Ways, Indio Division (Rate—.00); U. S. Navy Yard, Washington, D. C. (Rate—.00); Schulze Baking Co., Peoria, Ill. (Rate—.63); Interstate Bakeries Corp. (Weber Baking Co.), San Bernardino, Cal. (Rate—.75); National Biscuit Co., San Antonio, Texas (Rate—.00); Castles Ice Cream Co., Garfield, N. J. (Rate—.99); Monmouth Ice Cream Co., Asbury Park, N. J. (Rate—.87).

The Union Ice Co., Ventura County, Calif. (Rate—.41); Muller Dairies, Inc., New York, N. Y. (Rate—.19); Sweitzer Creamery Co., Detroit, Mich. (Rate—.60); Ripley's, Inc.. Topeka, Kans. (Rate—.62); The Canton Repository Co., Canton, Ohio (Rate—.39); Missouri Public Service Corp., Warrensburg, Mo. (Rate—.17); United Parcel Service, Ventura & San Bernardino, Calif. (Rate—.60); Les

90); United Parcel Service, Ventura & San Bernardino, Calif. (Rate—60); Las Vegas—Tonopah—Reno Stage Lines, Las

Vegas—Tonopah—Reno Stage Lines, Las Vegas, Nev. (Rate—.00).
Wisconsin Public Service Corp., Milwaukee, Wisc. (Rate—1.12); Toye Bros. Yellow Cab Co., New Orleans, La. (Rate—.00); Socony Vacuum Oil Co., Inc., White Eagle Div. Kansas City, Mo. (Rate—.51); Atlantic Pipe Line Co., Philadelphia, Pa. (Rate—.15); Municipal Light & Water Utilities, Ft. Wavne, Ind. (Rate—.00); Magnolia Pipe Line Co., Dallas, Texas (Rate—.116).

For Better Retreading

The National Institute Retread Standards has been incorporated under the laws of California as a non-profit organization for the purpose of identifying tire retreaders who can prove to the association that their "integrity, responsibility, skill, facilities and methods produce tires which are safe to use in modern traffic conditions." The Institute has nothing to sell and proposes to accept all retreaders to membership who qualify in the requirements.

Started in California by nine independent tire dealers operating retreading plants, the association's membership has been confined to the State of California. The recent retention, however, of an independent fact-finding organization, national in scope, which will conduct the Institute's

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Ira S. Shull, vice-president of Shull & Phillips, Los Angeles tire distributors, is president of the Institute. Walter S. Schlichtmann of San Francisco, a past president of the National Association of Independent Tire Dealers and present chairman of that association's committee on retreading is vice-president.

8 Million Truck Tires

At the request of the Defense Commission, the Census Bureau has rearranged its schedule for tabulating the 1939 manufacturing census to give right of way to industries immediately involved in defense problems

Accordingly one of the first to receive attention was the truck tire industry and the bureau came up recently with a figure of 8,178,568 as the quantity of pneumatic truck tire casings produced in the U.S. during 1939.

Motor Supply Depot

To speed up the distribution of parts for trucks and other motorized equipment to army units, seven new Quartermaster Motor Supply Depots are to be established. These will be located at Schenectady, N. Y., Baltimore, Md., Atlanta, Ga., Fort Wayne, Mich., Fort Leavenworth, Kan., Normoyle Quartermaster Depot, Texas and San Francisco, Cal.

Fleet Supervisor Available

A fleet maintenance man who for seven years supervised maintenance for a large oil refiner is looking for a connection in the New York metropolitan area. He has also had considerable experience in selling truck equipment to fleets. For more details, address the Editor.



Thornton Tamden four-rear-wheel give this Chevrolet fleet the traction it needs in tough places. The 21/2-yard units needs in tough places. The 21/2-yard units are owned by Hunkins, Willis Co., St. Louis

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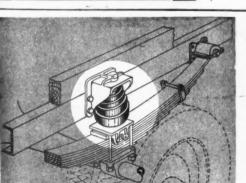


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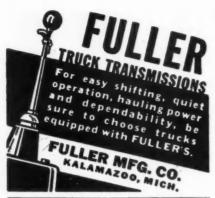
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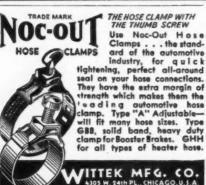


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Minn. Drops Emergency Tax

Minnesota has the honor of being the first state to end its 1 cent emergency gasoline tax bringing the total levy to 3 cents per gallon. Whether similar taxes in Florida, Massachusetts, Montana, Ne-braska, New Hampshire, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Pennsylvania Tennessee and West Virginia will be wiped out will be determined when they expire next year. It is estimated that the emergency tax is costing motorists in these states upward of \$83,000,000 a year.

West Virginia-Tennessee Reciprocity

Virtually complete reciprocity has been arranged between West Virginia and Tennessee. There are no restrictions on passenger cars and private trucks. For hire trucks may operate between the states upon procurement of identification plates which are free in Tennessee, cost \$1.00 in West Virginia.

Swedish Electric Truck

To meet the increasing problem of fuel shortage, two large Swedish vehicle manufacturers are producing a small electric truck, says a report received from Commercial Attache George C. Howard, Stockholm. Said to be the first of five models, the truck weighs approximately two metric tons including batteries. Batteries are charged from wall plugs by automatic equipment and one charge provides about six hours driving at a maximum speed of 20 m.p.h.

Million Men Coast-to-Coast

The committee in charge of figuring how far it is from here to there bobbed up again in the voice of K. N. Merritt, general salesmanager of the Railway Express Agency, speaking recently at the New York World's Fair. Said he, in effect, America's transportation systems could transport an army of a million men from coast to coast -together with the food necessary to sustain them for an entire year-within ten days. About 855,000 tons of foodstuffs would be needed including 11,250,000 chickens, 30,000,000 dozen eggs and 45,-000,000 tons of onions.



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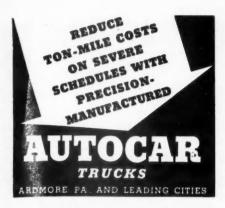


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New Truxmore Distributor

Transportation Equipment Co., Inc., 35 Van Buren St., Newark, N. J., has taken on the distribution of Truxmore 3rd Axle Units in the New York area as well as other lines previously handled by the New York office of Truck Equipment Co. (of Buffalo). These lines include Kingham trailers, Thornton Tandem units, Tulsa winches, Watson Brown Lipe transmissions, and Hercules diesel engines.

B-K Brakes to Wheels, Inc.

Wheels, Inc., 11th Ave. at 54th St., New York, has long handled Bendix Products, but just last month the firm also took on the important addition of the B-K Vacuum Power Brake line. The move follows a recent expansion for Wheels, Inc., which absorbed the service function of the New York United Motors branch.

Truck Sales Continue Up

Retail sales of commercial vehicles in the United States during August totaled 46,722 units, eking out a 5.9 per cent gain over August a year ago and not far behind the July figure of 59,696. The figure is interesting when compared with the marked drop in truck production (see table below) which followed the usual mid-summer trend during the model change-over period. More trucks sold than produced indicates a healthy reduction of dealer stocks.

TRUCK PRODUCTION (United States and Canada)

January February March April May June July August	1940 74,016 71,690 75,285 76,807 74,139 67,787 74,005 41,533	1939 64,093 63,606 77,107 68,066 63,793 66,964 62,750 40,868	Per Cent Change +15.8 +12.7 - 2.3 +13.0 +16.2 + 1.2 +17.9
8 Months.	555,262	507,247	+ 9.5
September October November December		27,560 65,079 73,407 84,260	
Total		757,553	



Julius Paulson of Kelseyville, Cal., installed a Caterpillar D468 diesel in this logging rig. Now he makes a 40-mile round-trip run (one way with 35-ton load) on 10 gal. of 8 cent fuel. With the old gasoline equipment he used 13½ gal. of 16½ cent fuel

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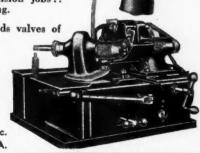
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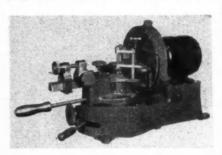
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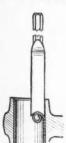
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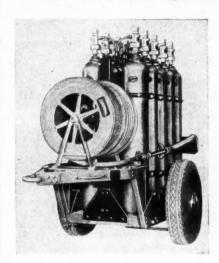
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